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(By Carl Barkow)

Several early mornings of this week have been almost crystal clear; no sunrise in the sense that one associates with the color prelude to the appearance of the sun when there are clouds in the sky. A nearly full moon overhead lights up the landscape until objects are quite distinct in the fall-like air; the mountains loom up in bulky ridges, a faint layer of light outlining the upper edges; the stars of lesser magnitude are invisible in the light of the moon while the stars of greater magnitude are brilliant, cold, and attractive only in an impersonal way.

One becomes aware of increasing light, seemingly coming from nowhere until the mountain ridges command attention; light, soft light, seems to flood upward from just behind the ridges; light is all about, increasing in volume, a huge natural indirect lighting system with its mechanism concealed behind the mountain ridges; no color, no warmth, almost devilish in its finished efficiency; even the coyotes are silent; no one relieves the tension with a loud, out-of-place sneeze.

Presently a white, business-like sun jumps over the ridge, directing its warm rays on the desert floor. The sun is on the job, the work of warming the world, with an early morning briskness that fairly shouts: "Now, that was a first class engineering job. No foolishness in the way that was done."

That type of sunrise reminds me of an engineer, a college friend. He was positively fascinating, the inhuman manner of his accomplishments. Every move he made seemed to have been previously reduced to a mathematical formula that guided him to a cold logical conclusion. I spent much time asking his opinion and conclusion on social problems that were baffling the world. He even reduced them to a mathematical problem capable of solution through the guidance of a mathematical formula.

His affairs progressed to logical conclusion just as he planned; it seemed as if he never had a failure. One evening he listed his requirements of his future wife and finally admitted that he had found the girl fulfilling all of them. He had been raised under the direction of a maiden aunt; I had been raised under the influence of a mother, four sisters, an aunt and a cousin, and had spent a very busy youth dodging feminine discipline. All that first hand practical experience should have entitled me to a word of warning, but it was all brushed aside in favor of efficiency and a mathematical formula. That was twenty years ago; I chuckle now at all that he has probably learned in that time about the futility of reducing feminine management to engineering principles.

Quail like to roost in the Washingtonia palms. This was brought to my attention by Mr. R. H. Hood, who harbors within his desert estate two covets of quail that roost in the palm trees near his home. Just before dark the quail fly into the palms, there to make considerable fuss as they tuck themselves away at the base of the leaf stems. In the morning with a great rush they all fly away at the same time.

The fruit hanging on the Washingtonia palms on Mr. Hood's estate is disappearing rapidly under the continued assaults of the birds. There are hundreds of them feeding there. A bird alights on the fruit branch, picks a fruit, flies to the stub left where an old leaf stem had been cut, and using the stub as a table, picks away at the fruit.

The Chuparosa is in blossom near the bridge over Tahquitz Creek. So far it has remained unmolested. With the growth of the Village and the great influx of Sunday visitors, it is going to be necessary to take steps to protect the desert shrubbery. Heretofore this has not been necessary, but now wildflowers in the springtime are not only liable to be destroyed, but the Sunday automobilists are beginning to make way with the shrubbery and branches from the trees. To some persons this may seem like a trivial thing.

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1,000 SEE CANINE SHOW; 400 DOGS ARE EXHIBITED

Best Dog in Show trophy was presented at the canine classic here last Sunday by Warren Pinney, president of the Palm Springs Kennel Club, to Mrs. Harold Mack, Jr., whose champion dachshund, Hansel con der Schroth, was judged best of the 400 dogs entered in the Palm Springs Kennel Club all-breed dog show held here last Sunday. The dachshund also won El Mirador trophy for Best Spring Dog (Hound).

The other five best dogs of the show who competed in the finals were: Desert Inn trophy for Best Sporting Dog—won by Champion San Spring StormaLong, Cocker Spaniel, owned by C. B. Van Meter, Van Nuys; Hotel the Oasis trophy for Best Working Dog—won by Can Ch. Smokey of Clearbrook, Old English Sheepdog, owned by Mrs. Olive del Ruth, Hollywood; Deep Well Guest Ranch trophy for Best Terrier—won by Brandwood Naughty Marietta, wire fox terrier, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Philip R. Brand, Pasadena; Hotel del Tahquitz trophy for Best Toy Dog—won by Ch. Cherub Platinum Star, Pekingese, owned by Mrs. Bonna Beeman, Sherman Oaks; H. E. Patterson trophy for Best Non-Sporting Dog—won by Ch. Maccliff Galleon Master, English Bulldog, owned by Frank Steele, Burbank.

The event was Palm Springs' latest (Continued from First Page)

ANNUAL XMAS GHMKHANA HERE SUNDAY, DEC. 22

The second annual Christmas Ghmkhana, to be held at Cody Field Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, is the major activity of the week. The event is sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, with Dr. Bacon L. Chilton, president of the organization, in charge. Most of the members will assist in conducting the affair, the proceeds of which are to go to charity.

A number of the events are sponsored by local hotels and business institutions. Following is the list of events:

Class 1—Ladies' three-gaited class. Open.

Class 2—Children's musical chairs. Open to children 12 to 16 years.

Class 3—Cowboys' musical chairs. Open. Ride on outside of chairs at canter. No crossing inside of ring.

Class 4—Stock horse class. Open.

Class 5—Cowboy race—one-quarter mile, starting back of grandstand. Standing start under stock saddle.

Thoroughbreds barred.

Class 6—Children's potato race. Open to children under 16 years.

Class 7—Elimination jumps. Open. Start at three feet and jump until bar is knocked down. Tips and form not counted.

Class 8—Around the stake race. Open. Time event, start from scratch, run fifty yards, circle stake and return to line—against time.

Class 9—Saddle and ride. Open. To be ridden under stock saddles. Cinch

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PENDLETON BUYS 500-ACRE SIMON RANCH NEAR INDIO

E. M. Pendleton, well-known local man, and his associates, Milton Page and W. L. Irvin, has purchased the beautiful 500-acre Simon ranch, 20 miles east of Palm Springs on the Indio road. The ranch was sold by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eberhardt. The ranch is off the highway toward the Santa Rosa mountains, beyond La Quinta.

The ranch was formerly owned by Mr. Simon, who produced a choice assortment of vegetables and fruits for the produce market. It has many acres of dates and grapefruit. It is ideally located, and has an excellent supply of water.

NEW PLANE IS CHRISTENED BY YOUNG AVIATOR

Little George Brent Parish, son of Gus Parish, lessee of the Palm Springs Airport, celebrated his first birthday Sunday by christening the beautiful Lockheed Orion, which was put into service on that day by Palm Springs Airlines. The words used by America's youngest aviator, as translated by his proud daddy, were, "I christen thee El Marelto." The name is a contraction of the name of the president of Palm Springs Airlines, Mrs. Marie Elizabeth Toretzky, taking the first syllable of each word.

The young man who officiated at the christening, was born on December 15, last year, and he was named after George Brent, famous movie star, who was godfather at his christening less than a year ago.

The ceremony took place at 1:30 Sunday afternoon, and Father Lehaine of the local Catholic church blessed the ship. A dozen pilots brought their ships and passengers here for the occasion.

El Marelto is a beautiful ship, painted yellow, with a black stripe. It is a seven-place plane, thus having capacity for six passengers beside the pilot. The cruising speed is 200 miles per hour, and it will fly 720 miles without refueling, thus four round trips can be made to Los Angeles without taking on additional fuel. The trip to Los Angeles is made in 43 minutes. The ship weighs 3640 pounds, and can carry a useful load of 2160 pounds. It is so powerful that it will climb 1400 feet per minute.

The other ship used on the Los Angeles to Palm Springs run is a Stinson, Model R, piloted by George Ryan. It is a four-place plane. The airline provides daily reservation service to and from Los Angeles, leaving here at 10 a. m. and Los Angeles at 4 p. m. Either of the planes are available for charter trips to any point.

Among the pilots who flew here for the christening ceremony, were J. Fairbanks in a Stinson, with Mr. and Mrs. Wally Timms; Ed. Higgins in a Stearman; J. R. Todd in a Kinner; B. H. Sheppard in a Travelair; Dave Steinmetz in a Kinner; Ed. Campbell in a Lockheed; Joe Harper in a Kinner, and J. Tremain in a Lockheed Orion.

Among the arrivals at the airport on Monday were Ralph La Coe in his Travelair; Ed. Boffending in a Travelair; Paul Mantz in a Lockheed; Slim Hanson in a Fleet; Mr. Stetson in a Fairchild.

A. B. Bowell arrived Tuesday, flying a Stinson.

PALM SPRINGS' SMALLEST HOME BUILDING PROJECT

A story is making the rounds of the metropolitan press that 180 homes, valued at \$900,000, are under construction now in Palm Springs, but the highest guess by local contractors or building supply dealers is 20 homes now under construction.

However, here's a home building project that even the most optimistic statisticians may have overlooked, viz: Palm Springs' smallest house. It has three rooms, and is 8x10 feet in size.

The house was built for little Marilyn Gray on the lawn of the Central apartments, back of Central hotel. Sunday was her 5th birthday, and it was presented to her on that day by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gray.

The little house is completely furnished, and is decorated in gay colors. It is electrically equipped with lights, and an electric range in the kitchen. Outside there is an attractive patio with miniature lawn furniture. Roland Gray, Marilyn's big brother, sleeps in the house at night.

PICTURE COMPANY TO USE 100 HORSES IN BIG PRODUCTION

Fox Twentieth Century Pictures have made arrangements with Travis Rogers, owner of Rogers Stables, for the use of a hundred horses shortly after the first of the year. The motion picture company will make a feature picture in this vicinity, shooting many scenes in Palm Canyon. Mr. Rogers will be able to supply sufficient horses by securing a few from other stables. Frank Lloyd will be director of the picture.

It is also reported that the motion picture, "Palm Springs," will be taken soon after the first of the year. In addition to foremost screen stars, several Palm Springs people will be featured in the picture. It is said the production will be of a type similar to the big hit, "In Agua Caliente."

INDIANS CHOOSE TRIBAL LEADERS, SPECIAL ELECTION

Indians of the reservation held an election this week to select their tribal leaders. The men chosen are Willie Marcus, Baristo Sol, Francisco Patencio, and Albert Patencio, who constitute the tribal committee. It is understood that Willie Marcus, local Indian police officer, is to be captain of the tribe.

Christmas, 1935

In the days of long ago,
Near the ending of the year,
Joy would come with ice and snow,
For the Christmas time was near.
Never was there any doubt
That dear Santa Claus was real,
For the children's merry shouts
Would their artless faith reveal.

There was whispering all about
Of the young folks and the old
And the youngsters all, no doubt
Grew angelic with the cold.
Then the pretty trees must fall,
Lovely evergreens so fair,
For old Santa Claus used them all,
Just to hang his presents there.

Merry sleighbells now still go
Ringin' by as of old
O'er the white and sparkling snow,
In the Northlands cold,
But at Merry Christmas time,
Santa Claus, who travels far,
Uses in each other clime
Swift airplanes, or speedy car.

Now, if ever, all must be
Filled with love and happiness,
And it would bring children glee
With more Christmases, I guess.
They are happy days for all,
When dear Santa Claus holds sway,
And when children's idols fall,
Something precious fades away.

—Robert L. Edwards.

Extra! Extra!!

SANTA TO COME BY AIRPLANE AT 1:30 ON TUESDAY

A. J. Werner, manager of the Palm Springs Airline, at the local airport, received a message from Santa Claus this week to clear the field for the landing of the El Marelto, a Lockheed-Orion which will bring him to Palm Springs about 1:30 p. m., Dec. 24.

An escort of riders, headed by "Little Bear," Junior Omlin, erald, and a "coach and four" from Cliff's Stables, will bring St. Nicholas to McManus' lot across from the Standard Oil Station, and the beautiful tree decorated and lighted by the Young People's Fellowship.

The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts will help take charge of the little children, to be sure that all make personal contact with Santa, to remind him of their last minute desires. There will be "goodies" for every child.

The true spirit of Christmas so graciously impersonated by Robert L. Edwards is greatly appreciated and the united efforts of the community serve to make Christmas in Palm Springs long to be remembered.

BEHRENS SAYS HOOVER PROMPTED BY PATRIOTISM

That ex-president Herbert Hoover is prompted solely by patriotism and his belief that the country will go to pot with four more years of Democratic administration, was the statement made yesterday to a Desert Sun reporter, by Earl C. Behrens, political editor of the San Francisco Chronicle.

Mr. Behrens is intimately acquainted with Mr. Hoover, and he is convinced that the former president feels he did not have a chance during his term of office, due to the crash that was inevitable.

The famous political writer stated that Governor Merriam is a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, counting on the Townsend pension group to put him over. But with Dr. Townsend himself advocating a third party if the Democratic or Republican parties do not accept his program, Merriam may lose support of the pensioners.

Mr. Hoover appears to have as his main desire the selection of the best available candidate for the Republican party, and would be glad to take the nomination himself.

Mr. Behrens said Hoover would rather go down to defeat maintaining the principles he now advocates, than win with a radical program.

Mr. Behrens left yesterday for his home in San Francisco, after spending two weeks at the Desert Inn. He comes here each winter for a vacation.

BEVERLY HILLS CAPITALIST BUYS OASIS HOMESITE

Stewart K. Jay-Menzies, prominent Beverly Hills capitalist, has purchased a portion of the highly-developed Raymond Cree date garden, and it is rumored that he will build a palatial home on the property, which adjoins the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bedford Jones and also the home of Laura K. Carey of Hollywood.

The date garden is the nearest one to Palm Springs, being five miles out on the Indio road. The land has a beautiful setting in a desert oasis, is planted to large bearing date palms, and has an abundant supply of water.

Raymond Cree, the owner, has subdivided the property within the original enclosure, and is offering for sale a half dozen fine home sites for those who desire homes in a most attractive setting of date palms.

Ralph Williams of Oregon, vice-chairman of the Republican national committee, says he willing to campaign in 1936 on the Democratic 1932 platform. "It's a darn good platform. The Democrats haven't used it, so why shouldn't we?" he said.

Homer King, editor of the Hemet News, may have predicted correctly in his first-page editorial, when he wrote the following: "Those desert vigilantes who rode in the night and cut or burned down all the billboards in and around Palm Springs may some day have their names in California history books. For a long time we have been trying to preserve the beauty of our California landscape by education. Women's clubs have passed resolutions pointing out the unsightliness of billboard-lined highways. The state legislature and boards of supervisors have passed laws on the subject but these have been only half-way regulatory measures. The Palm Springs vigilantes may have provided the necessary spark for a campaign that will bring benefit and glory to the Golden State."

Did you ever hear of water babies? Well, I did. In fact, according to a story told me by Professor von Voss, who until recently, has been a resident on the Palm Springs Indian reservation, there may be water babies on this desert. Professor von Voss said he slept near a hot spring one night in order to investigate the "crying babies" that had been heard in the vicinity. He discovered that the crying came from the spring. He said water babies live in "volcanic streams," and that the hot springs hereabouts are "volcanic." Von Voss claims he has seen water babies in volcanic streams of Italy. They look something like ducks, but much larger; smooth skin like a seal, and swim as easily; and at night, when all is quiet, they come up for air, and cry like human babies. He said they are harmless. They subsist on the chemicals in the hot water.

Professor Von Voss expects to lease property in or near Palm Springs, where the public can enjoy open-air sun-bathing. He proposes to procure sand from certain mineral wells, which he will spread on the ground. After a few days of sun-bathing on this powerful sand, the patient's body will be so filled with electricity that he can light a cigarette with the sparks from his finger-tips by merely snapping his fingers, he said. The professor is a conspicuous character on the streets, for his wearing apparel consists only of very, very abbreviated trunks and a pair of low shoes.

Right at the peak of the highway safety campaign, eight people were killed on Southern California highways over the week-end, and probably five times that number were injured. Safety campaigns don't seem to reduce the number of casualties. So long as we permit trucks to hog the highways Saturday afternoons and Sundays, and so long as we force our highway patrolmen to ride in white motorcycles that every speeder can recognize, just so long will the slaughter continue. Every citizen has an opportunity to be heard in this matter. Write your legislators that you want trucks barred from state highways from Saturday noons until 2 a. m. Monday mornings, and that traffic officers should use ordinary cars to give them a chance to get near the speeders. Whenever a white motorcycle is in sight there is no speeding—and the state hasn't enough white motorcycles to cover all our dangerous highways.

Do you know how far aqueduct construction has progressed right here at our very door? For instance, of the 92 miles of the main aqueduct tunnels, 82 miles have been excavated, and 23 miles of these have been lined with cement. The main aqueduct line, from the Colorado river at Parker Dam, to the Cajalco reservoir, will be 241 miles in length. Of this,

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ENROLLMENT DECREASE

It will be difficult for California to get used to the idea that our school enrollment is on the wane. Throughout the history of this rapidly-developing state we have become accustomed to struggling to keep pace with the ever-mounting number of youngsters seeking education. But now, according to a scholarly study in the current number of the Tax Digest, school population in California has begun to decrease, and will continue to do so at least until 1940.

This prognostication is no idle guesswork. It is based on an examination of vital statistics and enrollment trends, and is therefore as certain as life and death.

By January 1, 1936, the state's population will be 6,431,000, or 2.2 percent greater than it was a year ago at 6,292,500. And since the increase due to births has been negligible, the gain is principally attributable to migration of 131,000 people into the state during 1935.

Now since elementary school enrollment ordinarily holds a ratio of 1 to 8 to the population, this influx would normally have swelled enrollment by 16,000. Yet elementary pupils increased a mere 1,050.

What is the answer? Well, it is a story of the decreasing birth rate, in California and throughout the nation. The rate of birth decline is amply illustrated in the fact that since 1921, when 2,950,000 babies were born in this country, the figure has shrunk some 682,000. In 1933 there were only 2,268,000.

In California, elementary school enrollment is less by 14,000 in 1935-36 than it was in 1932, but the whole population of the state has in that time gained 500,000.

There may be in these trends plenty of cause for worry on the part of sociologists deeply concerned over the condition of humanity in the year 3000. But for California the immediate prospect is a chance to stress quality rather than merely quantity in education.

"EXECUTIVE SESSIONS"

County Supervisor Talbot of Perris is reported, in the papers, to have "busted" the custom of the board of supervisors in holding executive sessions. That is, sessions held behind closed doors.

The propriety of holding executive sessions, by legislative committees or boards of supervisors, depends upon the topic under consideration. The writer served as a member of the board of supervisors for six years, during which time scores of executive sessions were held by the supervisors. Supervisor Jameson, chairman of the board, was "strong for executive sessions." Jameson was true as steel to the public, honorable beyond reproach, and no one could doubt his good purposes in calling executive sessions.

What happened behind those locked doors, with only five men in the room? Confidential business in the interest of the public. Had the meetings been open great harm could have resulted to the public welfare in certain instances.

So, we say, the propriety of holding executive sessions depends upon the motive involved.

SANTA CLAUS COMES BACK

"The Good Old Sales Quota Comes Back!"

So reads an announcement in box car letters that printers recognize as ninety-six point type, heading a glamorous full page advertisement in the metropolitan newspapers of the East.

It is a cordial welcome to the actual advent of better business; an almost delirious, tribute, breathing confidence in every huge character, to the improvement in all lines. It is at once an inspiration to all concerned in the restoration of normal economic conditions in the country and a bold challenge to those who from any motive would retard recovery.

It is a sincere, acclamatory tribute to the forces that have brought sunlight out of shadow after long years of despair; a lusty shout of thanksgiving for the restitution of dividends.

"With the upswing in business conditions" it begins, "sales executives are reviving the sales quota. They are calling their men in off the street, off the road, setting up new sales marks for them to shoot at."

"And," for example, "this year the public literally snapped up all the automobiles the factories were able to produce." Et cetera, et cetera.

WILL ROGERS

Spectators at the film play, "In Old Kentucky" beheld Will Rogers in his last picture; and as they looked it seemed they were saying goodbye to an old friend.

Why should Will have died, when he was so useful to the world? The question may as well concern the taking of a beautiful child from its parents, by death. No one can answer the query. Editors write about it, preachers talk about it, but no one knows the answer. There is a veil between this troubled sphere in which we exist and that promised land out yonder beyond the stars where some day we hope to start to live. And so the old adage is true, that life is a narrow veil between two eternities.

Perhaps the flower, transplanted by death, was needed to adorn some garden away up there beyond the Milky Way. Who knows?

THE BONUS

Every morning, when one awakes, he finds a changed America. The previous day may have been dull and uneventful and seemingly at a standstill. Yet, all the time the theater of the world presents a new play. The yesterdays brought more changes than the human mind can digest without deep study.

Just so. A year ago many Americans were opposed to payment of the soldiers' bonus, whereas today they favor such payment. They believe that \$2,000,000.00 distributed over the length and breadth of the country will prove a substantial step toward recovery.

The coming Congress will enact the bonus payment law. The veterans will get the money and invest or spend it. The money will go into circulation.

The bonus is going to be paid, according to every bit of evidence at hand at this moment.

LIFE'S MOST TRAGIC SCENE

School is out. Children burst joyously from the building. One mischievous youngster has pricked another with a pin, and is gleefully running, hotly pursued. He dashes into the street, the while looking back over his shoulder to laugh tauntingly at his pursuer.

A split-second later he is dead. Life's most tragic scene has occurred again—the shriek of brakes mingled with screams of onlookers, the sickening thud, the horrified confusion as realization dawns. . . .

Life's most tragic scene—but it will happen less often in California after the plan of Vierling Kersey, state superintendent of public instruction, gets under way. The state is going to add courses in safe driving and traffic safety to the school curriculum.

"It is a shocking but factual statement," Superintendent Kersey said when announcing the plan, "that one out of every three children in California is destined to be killed or injured in a motor vehicle accident before the end of his normal life span—unless drastic action is taken to reduce the present accident ratio."

"Speeding and recklessness, together with drunken driving and a tremendous increase in trucks and buses on our highways, have all been serious factors in adding to traffic casualties."

For instituting school courses in safety, Superintendent Kersey deserves and unquestionably will receive the gratitude of every person in California—of mothers especially.

It is significant that he mentions "the tremendous increase in trucks and buses on our highways" as a serious factor in the traffic death toll. People are just beginning to awaken to this aspect of the problem, one that has heretofore been given altogether too little mention while blame has been heaped on the private motorist. And now the commercial traffic menace is being recognized in official quarters.

Perhaps it would be feasible—certainly it would protect child lives—to prevent the routing of buses, trucks and other commercial vehicles over streets or highways adjacent to public schools. This would be, of course, merely a temporary measure, since ultimate solution lies in some action to halt permanently the rapidly increasing commercialization of our highways.

In any case it is gratifying to know that California is attacking the problem of child traffic deaths from every possible angle—and is striving to see that life's most tragic scene will be enacted less frequently in the future.—California Progress Review.

The destruction of the wealth of any class is an invitation to assail the wealth of those who have a little less, and then of those who have still less.—Douglas Southall Freeman.

STATE FINANCES

There is a well-defined campaign on to repeal the California sales tax. Look out for that.

The editor of this paper does not like the sales tax. Nor does he like a boil on the neck, corns, and bunions.

The sales tax was adopted in order to save the state from bankruptcy. Without it many schools would have closed for lack of funds. It isn't a question of liking the sales tax—it is a question of carrying on the functions of government or digressing to economic and financial chaos in our California.

Repeal the sales tax and we shall have an ad valorem tax on property. That means another tax plaster on your home, or on your farm or orchard which you already have a heck of a time in trying to support.

California is not in rosy financial condition. A lot of high-powered worrying is going on in California these days about the condition of state finances. It all boils down to a few simple facts, but the simplicity of the essentials is easing no minds, since the job of setting things right looks now like one of the toughest the state has ever faced. Fact number one is that California has no money. There is not a dime in the general fund. Fact number two is that the state has already borrowed \$40,000,000 without authorization of the voters, simply by issuing warrants, or I.O.U.'s to banks. Fact number three is that we face a deficit of \$80,000,000 at the end of the 1935-37 biennium. Fact number four is that there is no means now in sight for balancing the budget, and that the Governor is opposed to calling a special session to consider the matter. Recently the bankers who hold the state's I.O.U.'s called on Governor Merriam to see what was what, and to find out what was being done in the way of raising money to pay them back. The thing that brought the matter to a head was the refusal of the bankers and bond houses to gobble up a \$2,000,000 issue of state warrants as they had previously. And the problems that faced the gathering were multifold for the reasons listed above plus a number of conflicting individual attitudes among state officials.

So, that's that.

CRIME FORTY YEARS AGO

Constable John Lovren and Bert Curler, who have lived in Beaumont for forty years, spent last Sunday in scanning the justice court records in order to compare the volume of crime of two decades with that of the present day.

In the earlier days "San Geronio" township court included Beaumont and Banning, and extended almost to Indio. In those days, when this section was given over to large cattle interests, an average of one criminal action and one civil action per year were recorded in the court docket belonging to the justice of the peace.

Now the Beaumont township is separated from the rest of the territory included in the old San Geronio township. The average number of criminal and civil actions now brought up in the local courts each year is around 3000 for the former and nearly the same number for the latter, according to Judge Philip Truby.

In reviewing the "progress of crime" it should be remembered that contributing factors are present. The scattered population of 40 years ago was not bent on committing crime to a large degree. Where there were 10 people then there may be 40 today.

The automobile has been a contributor to crime—not directly, but indirectly. Liquor has contributed to crime, but, there was liquor 40 years ago.

The greatest contribution to crime was the aftermath of the World War — this thing called "depression," which sent strong men, good women and promising children from the straight road to detours leading to God knows where.

Los Angeles, with 727,570 automobiles registered up to October 31 this year, leads California districts in number of pleasure cars. They're all pleasure cars until a pedestrian or a truck is struck, or a tire blows out; or until they run out of gas seventeen miles from a service station.

We are never going to win our fight on cancer by shutting our eyes to its prevalence, and we are never going to win our fight on crime by suppressing crime news.—Prof. Lowell J. Carr, University of Michigan.

A cat with eight legs, parts of two bodies and two tails, was born recently in Denton, Kansas. Its picture might make a good emblem for a third party.—Redlands Facts.

EDOM-PALM SPRINGS CUT-OFF IS SUBJECT OF LONG DEBATE

Proposed improvement of the Palm Springs-Edom road is held in abeyance.

After listening for an hour and a half to arguments for and against the project, the Riverside county board of supervisors Monday at least temporarily postponed construction of the five-mile road because of a shortage of funds.

Chairman J. E. McGregor explained the county's financial plight to a large delegation of residents of Edom and Palm Springs who had presented a largely-signed petition and who augmented this with lengthy reasons why the desert connection should be constructed.

Alphonzo E. Bell, subdivider of the famous Bel-Air estates near Santa Monica, has purchased 1700 acres along the route of the proposed road and will improve it soon, it was stated by backers of the plan.

Opposition was voiced by prominent Palm Springs property owners who said they have sought improvement of roads in the Palm Springs district for several years and that if there are any funds on hand they would like to have them spent on roads at Palm Springs "serving residents who have paid their taxes for many years." They also said the Edom-Palm Springs road is not feasible as it crosses a river wash subject to floods, and that if constructed the road would divert through the desert resort trucks whose drivers wish to avoid the grades on the Indio-Banning route.

Edom residents countered these arguments with declarations that Palm Springs would benefit largely from tourist travel if the cutoff from Edom to the resort village were constructed. They said large numbers of motorists stop at Edom, inquire the way to Palm Springs and when told that they must travel 19 miles up the highway and 10 miles south, they decide to drive on without making the side trip.

Several of the Edom spokesmen told the supervisors the land adjacent to the route of the proposed road, which would connect with a county road built out from Palm Springs to a new sewage disposal plant, is fertile and adapted for growing citrus fruits and dates.

This provoked from the Palm Springs delegation the charge that the road is wanted to open up land for subdivision along its course. They declared that Palm Springs subdividers not only laid out their own roads but are also maintaining them.

Warren Pinney of the El Mirador Hotel, and Alvah J. Hicks, head of the Palm Springs Water company, were chief spokesmen for the desert village group.

J. C. Kubie, grapefruit grower of Edom, presented the petition to the supervisors.

NEIGHBOR CITY WILL OFFER NEW PENITENTIARY SITE

This newspaper has information, the details of which are confidential, to the effect that a tract of nearly 2,000 acres, located near Banning, will be offered to California for a site for the state's prison which will be built in Southern California.

This part of Southern California is blessed with a healthful climate and working conditions are ideal. The site offered would be near the main highway and railroad.

The state has \$400,000 available for purchase of a site. About 2,000 acres are required. Certain requirements as set forth in the state's specifications, can be met easily in the Banning site to be offered.

D. W. I. CHARGE

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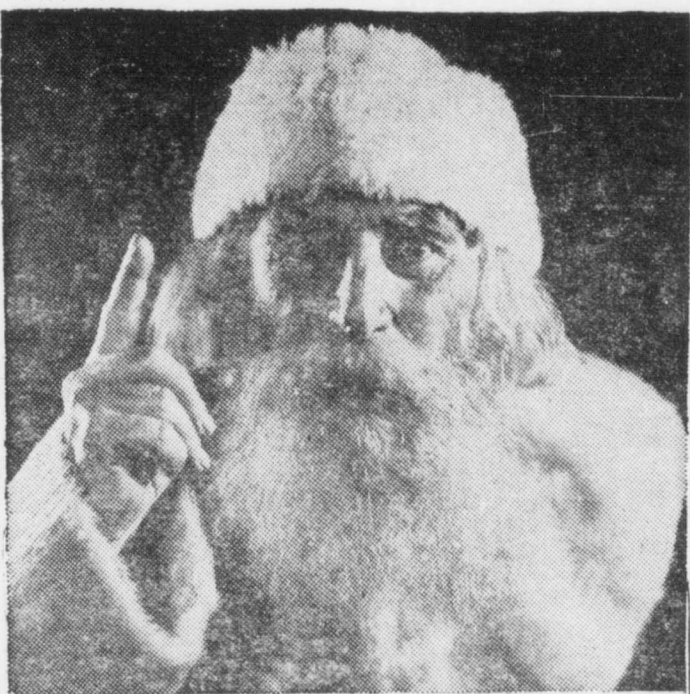
ABOLISH INDIAN BUREAU?

Abolishment of the bureau of Indian affairs is proposed by Congressman Steven McGroarty. At least he is so quoted in The Desert Sun of Palm Springs, on occasion of a visit to that desert resort recently. According to this report McGroarty is preparing a bill to be introduced into the next Congress providing for liquidation of the bureau. The movement, it is said, results from extensive interviews between the congressman and Southern California Indian tribes. The idea is not especially new but it is interesting to hear it expounded from this quarter. Perhaps no person of prominence has had the interest of the Indian more at heart than John Steven McGroarty. If he proposes to abolish the Indian bureau he believes that its abuses and injustices are outrageous and bordering on intolerance. Coming from this source we are obliged to give it very serious consideration.—Redlands Facts.

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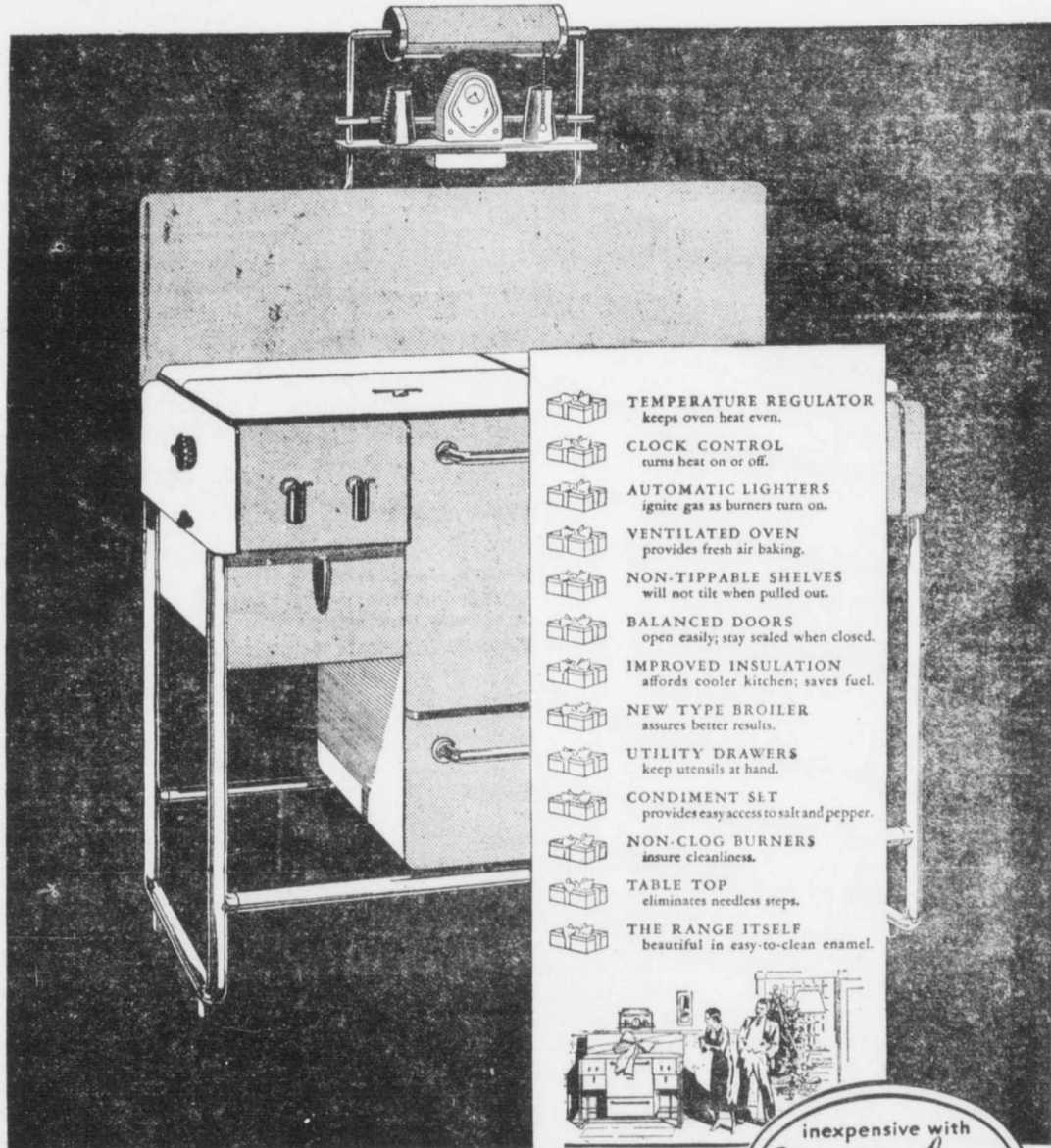
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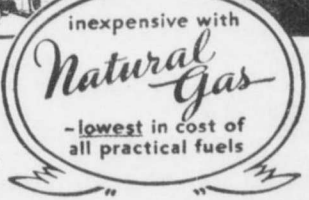
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The following timely advice to motorists was obtained today from Alvin Weingarten, insurance underwriter and Palm Springs representative of the National Auto Club, from whom the data was secured.

Chapter 362, Statutes of 1935, is commonly called the "Vehicle License Fee Act." It supplants the Personal Property Tax which you have, up to 1936, paid to the county. The vehicle license fee goes into effect, and must be paid beginning January 2, 1936, simultaneously with the renewal of your automobile license registration. The law provides that a license fee, equal to one and three-quarters percent of the actual market value of your automobile, as such is determined by the Department of Motor Vehicles, must be paid for the privilege of operating your automobile in this state. This fee is in addition to your renewal of registration fee of \$3.00.

You will receive very shortly, through the mail, if you have complied with the law and notified the Department of Motor Vehicles of change of address, a postcard assessment notice of the amount you will be required to pay next month.

Illustrating the above—a man owns an automobile upon which the Department of Motor Vehicles places a value of \$200. To renew the registration of this car in 1936 and obtain plates, he will be required to pay \$3.00. To operate his vehicle under the Vehicle License Fee Statute, he must pay \$3.50 (\$1.75 per hundred). The total amount to be paid upon obtaining his number plates will be \$6.50.

The following procedure is suggested:

1. Present your post card assessment notice, bearing the sum speci-

fied as the total for vehicle license fee at the office where you apply, along with:

2. Your 1935 registration card, commonly known as the "white slip," which must have the assessor's validation stamps on the reverse side, showing tax clearance for 1935, also showing your correct address, and,

3. Either bring cash, a postal money order, cashier's or certified check (no personal check will be accepted); and, lastly,

4. If you have finished paying for your car during the past year, but have failed to have the former legal owner's name removed therefrom, in accordance with law, present your legal ownership certificate or "pink slip" with the required additional fee of \$1.00.

Mr. Weingarten cautions that the renewal period is short in 1936. The vehicle code provides that the renewal period definitely ends at midnight, February 4, 1936! This means that if you apply for your plates on February 5, they will cost you \$6.00 instead of \$3.00 because the Department of Motor Vehicles is required to collect a 100 percent penalty after February 4. The period is also shortened, in actual effect, in the following way: It is required that the vehicle license fee be paid at the same time you renew registration of your automobile—you cannot pay one without paying the other. The period to pay this fee ends at midnight, January 30, 1936.

The sentence to engrave on your mind is that: You must apply for your 1936 renewal of license before January 31, or pay a penalty.

Further information may be obtained from Mr. Weingarten in the office of Robert Ransom, Carnell building.

REPORT PROGRESS ON BUILDING NEW IDYLLWILD ROUTE

County prisoners, working out of steady progress on construction of the new Banning-Idyllwild road. There are more than a hundred men in camp.

Federal Aid Promised

Federal aid to the amount of about \$100,000 was promised some months ago. Presumably, this money would be used on the Banning end of the road, the most costly part of the undertaking, where heavy cuts would be required to attain the desired grade to make it a high-gear road and conform to U. S. regulations.

Unofficially it is stated that the federal money is being held back in order to give employment at such time when W. P. A. funds run low. The amount, turned over to labor, would serve as a "shock absorber."

Lazy Prisoners

Supt. E. C. Wickerd of the Riverside county road camp has discovered that some prisoners are not particularly industrious.

He states that the courts are "filling the camp with vagrants who just won't work." He appealed to the Board of supervisors for other arrangements for caring for the hoboes and suggested the establishment of a "bull pen" camp at the old Anza CCC site.

Mr. Wickerd said that since the federal government has withdrawn from the actual work of caring for the transients, he has been receiving them on commitments from justice courts throughout the county.

"Out of a total of 120 men, I have 38 out-of-state residents serving time in the camp," he said.

"Most of these men virtually refuse to work, or make only a feeble pretense at it. I can't discipline them by cutting down the rations for the camp since the prisoners who are giving an honest day's labor will rebel, and we won't get any work done.

"I would suggest that either a 'bull pen' be established at the camp where the transients can be kept on light rations and without being required to work, or that the hoboes be sent to a camp that could be established at the old Anza CCC site. Two men ought take charge of them there. We should not mind if some of them did escape as they probably would make a point to get out of the county as soon as possible," he said.

Many Transients

Mr. Wickerd said that out of 14

prisoners sent to him recently 11 were transients.

"One man told me he had worked two days in five months since he left Chicago," the camp superintendent said. "Those two days were spent spreading bean straw near Santa Ana. He quite the work—said it was too heavy for him. He is typical of the average run of the hoboes I get at the camp.

"Something will have to be done with them or the whole morale of the camp will suffer," he declared.

Supervisor R. E. Dillon said he understood the government is caring for the transients and urged that the supervisors communicate with the federal relief officials and see what can be done. He also suggested that justices of the peace in the county be instructed to send only men to the road camp who are to be punished for offenses other than vagrancy.

CHANGES TO BE MADE IN DESERT ROAD ROUTING

Improvement of 10 miles of the Palm Springs-Indio road, from Indio westward, has been decided on by the California Highway Commission. As the state usually builds as "straight as the crow flies," the road will have its curves eliminated. There are many curves on the route.

New alignment brings up a controversy, since some interests now on the highway frontage may find their investment to be some distance from the new pavement.

J. L. Davis, secretary of the Riverside County Chamber of Commerce, went over the route last Friday in order to gather first-hand information regarding the proposed routing.

Ultimately, no doubt, the alignment will be decided by the engineers of the highway commission.

Improvement of the 10.9 mile stretch will be welcomed by the motorists.

RELIEF LOAD LIFTED AT TWENTY-NINE PALMS

Dispensation of the SRA in the 29 Palms district took place a few days ago when Stanley Bowden, local case aide announced he has been notified his services are no longer required and was authorized to transport the supplies of his office to district headquarters.

Bowden stated that the demand for labor at 29 Palms has relieved the relief rolls of clients and the placing of 22 men on WPA projects left only five men on SRA rolls.

"FRISCO KID"



JAMES CAGNEY, MARGARET LINDSAY AND FRED KOHLER

"Frisco Kid," Warner Bros.' dramatic picturization of the thrilling pioneer days of old San Francisco when the Barbary Coast seethed with activity and life within its borders was the wildest adventure, is scheduled as the feature attraction at the Palm Springs Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday, December 25 and 26.

The all star cast is headed by James Cagney, who is supported by Margaret Lindsay, Ricardo Cortez and Lili Damita, more than forty persons in the principal roles and thousands in the gigantic mob scenes.

The story centers about the terrific conflict between the denizens of the waterfront and the better class of citizens at a time when there was no effective law except that laid down by the dread hand of the vigilantes.

Barbary Coast, at the time, swarmed with every sort of adventurer, including miners going or returning from the gold fields, ticket-of-leave and fugitive criminals from the penal colonies of Australia, gamblers, dive keepers and women of the underworld from every part of the country.

Murder, arson, crimping, white slavery and every other known vice, flourished openly in the shadow of the law whose officers waxed rich from the spoils of their underworld henchmen. It was under these conditions that the famed vigilantes were organized to hang murderous miscreants and burn dives that got out of hand.

These flaming events constitute the stirring action of the picture, and it is in this setting that here blossoms a most unusual romance, that of a leader

of the city's despoilers and a beautiful girl, tenderly reared in the luxury and refinement of the highest society.

Cagney has the role of a rough and rugged sailor, who becomes king of the underworld and controls his henchmen with an iron hand. Margaret Lindsay is the girl who saves him from the noose of the vigilantes.

Ricardo Cortez is the proprietor of Morra's resort, a historical gambling place. His common law wife, a famous beauty of the time, is portrayed by the exotic Lili Damita.

Donald Woods is the militant editor of the Tribune, shot down in cold blood by Joseph King as the political boss, who is hanged for the murder by the vigilantes. George E. Stone is Solomon Green, proprietor of a second hand store, a character made immortal in song.

Barton MacLane has the role of a resort keeper and leader of a gang of shanghai artists which include Joseph Sawyer and Fred Kohler, the latter slain with his own iron hook arm by Cagney, after a terrific hand to hand battle.

The shanghaiing of sailors, cold blooded killings, the quick trials and the resultant hangings by the vigilantes, terrific battles among the underworld characters and with the vigilantes, and finally the burning of the Coast section, all are part of the vivid action of this gripping and picturesque story.

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DIST. ATTY. REDWINE WINS BATTLE TO REMOVE ROAD SIGN

Henry Harris of El Centro, and Bob Hays, secretary of the chamber of commerce in that city, lost the last round of the stubborn fight to keep alight a directional sign at Indio near the intersection of the Blythe-Los Angeles and El Centro-Los Angeles highways.

Harris appeared before Imperial county supervisors to ask them to write one more letter protesting an attorney general's ruling the sign is illegal and must come down. Charles Halliday, legal advisor to the board, said quite flatly the district attorney's office would write no more letters on the subject.

Earl Redwine, district attorney for Riverside county, intimated the objectionable sign would be torn down if not removed, Halliday said.

Last February Hays was first notified the sign was illegal and must be removed. He stalled for time, passed the buck to the Imperial county supervisors, asked them to father the sign.

"We have no place to store the sign," was Harris' last plea. "Would you ask them if we might board it up?" Supervisor Osborne telephoned to Redwine. Redwine gave consent to the boarding.

Phone The Desert Sun, 3594.

NEW WAR FLEETS FOR NATIONS OF THE WORLD

Jane's Fighting Ships, the world's authoritative yearbook on the war fleets of the several nations, deals with figures from navy yards rather than from naval conferences. Accordingly, one may be helped in gaining a realistic attitude toward the London naval conference by reading in the foreword of the new edition, assertions like this:

Whatever may be the outcome of the naval conference, there can be no question that the new era of capital ship construction has begun. It may be said to have opened with the laying down of the French battleship Dunkerque three years ago. . . . Despite millions which have been expended in modernizing the capital ships of the United States, Japan and, more recently, England, there is abundant truth in the adage that reconstruction seldom pays. Since the three leading powers all possess a number of battleships whose average age is approaching the twenty-year limit, it is beyond question that replacement programs soon will be the order of the day. It will be the task of the conference to insure that programs of this kind are not launched without previous agreement if future armament races are to be avoided.

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SHALL VILLAGE HOLD DANCE TO HONOR PRES. ROOSEVELT?

Many towns and cities will celebrate President Roosevelt's birthday by holding the annual birthday ball. Henry L. Doherty, national chairman of the President's annual birthday ball, has asked The Desert Sun to appoint a chairman for the local birthday party. If those who are interested in the project locally will get together and select their chairman, this newspaper will telegraph his name to Mr. Doherty in Washington. If Palm Springs is interested the following letter will be of interest:

To the Editor of the Desert Sun:

Your community up to this time has not taken part in the national crusade for the benefit of victims of that child-crippling plague, infantile paralysis. Yet neither your neighborhood, nor any place in the country, is immune from an epidemic of the cruel disease next summer or in some early year. In its own interest, the community ought to provide itself with means, both of knowledge and money, of helping the victims of infantile paralysis to receive the after-treatment that overcome some of their handicaps, and often restore them to a full measure of usefulness as citizens able to provide for themselves or others. The after-treatment rightly is called that of rehabilitation.

Only orthopedic hospitals or the doctors trained in them can supervise these treatments adequately. One of these hospitals may not be adjacent to your community, but your doctors know where the nearest one is. The doctors know, too, the need of having a local fund which can be used for the treatment of neighborhood cases, either for transporting the patients to the hospital, or for securing braces or mechanical appliances for home treatment under medical care. Any community activity in this direction will have the support of the leaders of its medical fraternity.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt for many years has been at the fore in the battle against infantile paralysis. For the last two years he has loaned the use of his birthday, January 30, for nation-wide Birthday Balls to raise funds for the two-fold purpose of after-treatment of victims of infantile paralysis and of scientific research to find the cause and cure of the disease. He has consented to do so again.

The organization instrument has been the national committee for the Birthday Ball for the President, of which I have been the chairman and on which I have had the support of many of the most public-spirited men in the country. In these two years more than two millions of dollars have been raised and expended, a large part by the more than 5,000 communities themselves upon local infantile paralysis cases, and the balance, under the direction of the President, for the work of the President's Commission on Infantile Paralysis Research, and for the great work of the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation.

The President has approved the suggestion that 70 percent of the proceeds raised by each local Birthday Ball be retained in the community to be disbursed to local or adjacent orthopedic hospitals, or for the treatment of local infantile paralysis cripples, as your committee decides. This allotment was first made last year; the plan worked well and has been approved throughout the country. Thirty percent of the proceeds will be turned over to the national committee for delivery to the President to be presented by him to the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation for the continuation and extension of its part in the national fight against infantile

WPA PLANS IN THE STATE ARE LARGE

The State Relief Administration at San Francisco has announced receipt of a telegram from Aubrey Williams, acting FRA administrator, quoting advice sent by him to Governor Frank Merriam, regarding new Federal relief allocations to California.

The latest allocation was for \$3,500,000 and brings to a total of \$10,655,625 in Federal funds that has been made available for relief purposes in California since November 1, according to C. I. Schottland, assistant SRA administrator.

Schottland said the funds will be expended as follows:

General relief	\$9,500,000
Camps for Unemployed	
Women	25,000
Transients	590,000
Domestic Training Classes for Girls	40,000
Vocational Rehabilitation	15,000
Relief Research	\$5,000
Miscellaneous items in connection with the new work program	400,000

"These funds will be used for current relief expenditures from November 1, and are in addition to the \$2,000,000 monthly, in state funds available for relief from the State Relief Administration," said Schottland.

Schottland estimated that the expenditures for December for relief purposes will approximate \$6,000,000 while those for January will be materially decreased, due to the fact that the WPA program is expected to reach its peak.

Emergency Education Program — Actual launching of California's Emergency Education program which is expected to provide employment for approximately 2500 teachers listed on the state's relief rolls, began last week with the release of the first projects provided for in the statewide program.

According to Dr. Glenn E. Hoover, state director of Emergency Education, the Comptroller General in Washington has countersigned warrants totaling more than \$2,300,000 for California's entire program.

Work on new postoffice quarters for the mountain community of Idyllwild is nearing completion, according to word received here this week. Increase in business was given as the reason for the enlargement of the office by postal authorities. The office was recently boosted to third class rating.

paralysis.

You will agree, I feel sure, that the time has come for your community to be a participant in this humanitarian cause, aiding both itself and its neighborhood.

As a publisher you are the person most familiar with your town and country folks. There is in your community some citizen of high standing and energy who would feel honored in being appointed general chairman of your local birthday party for the President. Will you select such an individual to head a committee which will sponsor that kind of affair most suitable to your community, communicate with him and secure his consent to serve in this worthy and useful capacity? As the national committee will accept your understanding judgment, please wire me his name and address so that we may send him official certificate of appointment and complete organizing data. Your prompt response and cooperation will be genuinely appreciated by myself and my associates.

Sincerely,
HENRY L. DOHERTY,
National Chairman.

PALM SPRINGS Eight Years Ago

(From the Files of The Desert Sun, December 9, 1927)

A fire of unknown origin held the attention of Palm Springs citizens for several days this week. Sweeping up a ridge near Andreas Canyon, the blaze was fanned by a desert breeze and made rapid headway. Volunteer forces were quickly assembled, and Wesley Gray flew over the fire, taking notes upon the most advantageous points for placing fire fighters. Day and night the battle of the men was waged against the fire demon, and yesterday the victory was attained.

The Chamber of Commerce is carrying out a plan to provide parking space for 50 extra cars at the summit overlooking Palm Canyon. The Chamber will make an expenditure of several hundred dollars for this improvement. Thomas O'Donnell was the first to donate, handing over a check for \$100.00 just before his departure for Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. F. K. Berry have just moved into their very attractive new home, situated on Indian avenue, in the Palm Springs Estates.

Judge Matt I. Sullivan, noted legal light of San Francisco, has purchased an 80-acre tract situated near the Henry Pearson ranch southeast of the village. Judge Sullivan gained renown a score of years ago in presiding at the Abe Ruef graft case at San Francisco, and he sentenced Ruef to prison. Francis Heney, graft prosecutor, was shot down in the court room, and Hiram Johnson took up the cause of justice.

Deputy sheriffs with two carloads of searchers from Indio set out at eleven o'clock Friday night to hunt for two men lost in the mountains north of Indio. The men were found at four o'clock Saturday morning, cold and exhausted.

In presenting a report to the county board of supervisors this week, recommending to the joint parks committee that the federal government recall from entry about 48,000 acres in Morongo Pass, Thousand Palms Canyon, and Palm Canyon, A. V. Lovelkin, representing the local committee, requested the board not to overlook the precedence that should be given to Mount San Jacinto as a possibility for future recreational purposes.

The Boulder Canyon Dam project and important irrigation and public land problems are the main issues now being prepared by members of the house of representatives from Western states, as a legislative program at the present session of congress which convened last Monday at Washington.

It now costs as much to send a postcard through the mails as a first class letter, two cents being the postage fee of each.

The southeast corner of the highway and Tachevah Drive, 110x295 feet, extending through to Indian avenue and facing hte park in front of the new El Mirador Hotel, was purchased this week. This site will be occupied by El Mirador Garage, a completely equipped plant with capacity for 100 cars.

A new heating plant consisting of four oil-burning radiators was installed in the auditorium of the school house this week.

The Woodward Drug Company has purchased a site on Main street 75x125 feet in size.

Edith Mixsell and Mildred and Arthur Pomeroy were home from Occidental college this week-end.

Mrs. Melinda Woodworth of Riverside and Miss Louise Crews of San Diego, have purchased half-acre tracts in Las Palmas Estates near El Mirador.

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The Palm Springs Chamber of Commerce this week elected the following officers: President, Dr. J. J. Kocher; vice-presidents, Hobart Garlick and Walter Bunker; treasurer, A. F. Hicks; secretary, Philip Boyd. The membership now is nearly 100.

The Palm Valley Water Company has completed their new reservoir in Chino Canyon which has a capacity of a million and a half gallons.

Miss Louise Bramlette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Roberson, has decided to leave Banning Union High with the beginning of the new year, and enter Ramona private school at Alhambra.

Mrs. M. P. Wentworth, son John and daughter Mary, are located in Mrs. Lloyd Wright's cottage here. Mr. Wright was the architect on the Oasis Hotel project.

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Celebration of the New Year with a feat that will go down prominently in construction history is the goal of Metropolitan Water District crews which yesterday geared up operations in order to hole through the world's longest tunnel of its size simultaneously with the coming of 1936.

Field engineering reports reaching the office of General Manager F. E. Weymouth of the district reveal that if the present rate of progress on the eighteen-mile East Coachella tunnel is maintained during the next week and a half, underground crews will pierce the tunnel's last rock barrier on January 2 or 3.

The East Coachella bore is one of thirty-seven tunnels on the aqueduct project, totaling 108 miles in length. Approximately eighty-eight miles have been completely excavated.

The eighteen-mile tunnel lies in the Little San Bernardino mountains approximately 40 miles northeast of Palm Springs and 15 miles north of Indio.

With nearly three years of performance on which to base their calculations, Water District engineers feel that the date of the final holing through of the East Coachella tunnel is a matter of almost mathematical certainty.

The huge tunnel has been excavated from four adits, or access tunnels. These were driven into the mountain-side at right angles to the line of the main tunnel, and from the end of each adit excavation was carried forward in two directions.

The remaining unexcavated piece of tunnel lies between the Berdoo and Fargo adits. It is on this short section—approximately 650 feet long—that crews are driving through solid rock toward each other for their scheduled appointment at the turn of the New Year.

Plans already are being made by members of the aqueduct's Coachella Division personnel for a miners' celebration at the Berdoo Camp recreation hall on January 3.

Tentative plans also are being made by the Water District board of directors for a tour of inspection through the eighteen-mile bore on the week-end of January 4 and 5.

Enough cement to build a fourteen-foot concrete highway that would extend all the way from Los Angeles to New York is being consumed in the construction of the huge Metropolitan Water District aqueduct from the Colorado river!

This graphic illustration of the immensity of the big water project was contained in construction figures is-

sued today from the office of General Manager F. E. Weymouth of the district.

The report reveals that tunnel lining, canal, conduit, and siphon construction, dam construction, and the building of miscellaneous works in connection with the aqueduct will require the use of 7,000,000 barrels of cement—all of it produced by Southern California mills.

This quantity, it is pointed out, is the largest amount of cement ever used on one project in the history of engineering. It is 2,600,000 barrels more than was consumed in the construction of Boulder dam.

The cement is being used at more than a score of points along the 390-mile aqueduct construction front, between the Colorado river and the thirteen member cities of the Metropolitan Water district.

Figures compiled by the traffic department of the district reveal that an average of forty-five freight carloads of cement per working day is being shipped to points along the aqueduct. This is 14,000 barrels a day; or to use the unit of measurement with which the average citizen is familiar, 64,000 sacks per day!

JOHN SHAVER ANSWERS CALL

John Shaver, who for thirty-six years served Riverside county as a member of the board of supervisors, is dead. His body was found this (Friday) morning in an automobile parked in a field near San Jacinto. Carbon monoxide gas caused his death. Riverside reports indicated that the venerable man committed suicide. He was defeated for re-election two years ago.

Motorists are receiving postcards from Sacramento explaining the collection of motor vehicle fees.

Postcards show the amount which they will be required to pay under the new law, figured on the basis of \$1.75 per \$100 of valuation. Owner of a car valued by the state at \$200, for example, will pay a tax of \$3.50. He will also pay the usual \$3 registration fee or a total of \$6.50 in all.

The law, which is in effect from next Jan. 1 until Dec. 31, 1937, provides that payments must be made not later than midnight, Jan. 31, or be subject to a 100 percent delinquency penalty.

The state will pay 25 percent of the money collected to the cities quarterly on the basis of population and 12½ percent to the counties on the same basis, to be used "for law enforcement and the regulation and control and fire protection of highway traffic."

The balance will go into the general fund "to pay the principal and interest on certain highway bonds."

At El Mirador

Among those of note who have arrived at El Mirador from San Francisco, Piedmont, Palo Alto, and other cities in Northern California to vacation under the desert sun during the Christmas and New Year holiday season are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Klass, of Oakland; Robert D. Mackenzie, of Palo Alto; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Warner, of Piedmont; Mrs. J. R. Knowland, of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. J. McMillen, of San Francisco; and Colonel and Mrs. George E. Sykes of Paicines, California.

Recent arrivals at El Mirador from the East are Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williams, of Ohio; Mrs. L. C. Mourey, of Rutherford, New Jersey; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lee, of Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. William H. Sweatt, of Minneapolis; Lady Bridgett, of London; Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Marvin, of Syracuse, New York; and Mr. and Mrs. Kingsley H. Murphy, of Minneapolis.

Pasadenans at El Mirador include Miss Lucille Thorsen, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Sullivan, Mr. E. A. Culbertson, and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Morris.

Among those at El Mirador for the holiday season from Beverly Hills are Mrs. A. Landau, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Selwyn, Countess Lui de Margiet, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lewis, and Miss La Nell Byers. Here to visit their friends, the S. Kay Menzies, of London, England, are Mr. and Mrs. J. Stuart Peters, of Beverly Hills. Mrs. Peters is the daughter of G. Allan Hancock, famous scientist, and oil man.

At the Desert Inn

Spending Christmas annually on the desert is a tradition of many socialites and their families, who are residing at the Desert Inn to enjoy the holiday season here.

Among the recent arrivals are: Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Pillsbury, bluebook socialites of Carpinteria; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Converse and Mr. and Mrs. William Werman Gill of Montecito; Miss Eleanor Steffen, Los Angeles; A. P. Fleming, noted horse show director of San Mateo; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cray, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Adams and Mrs. M. Thompson, Los Angeles; Earl C. Behrens, political editor of the San Francisco Chronicle; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lincoln, San Mateo; Mr. and Mrs. Hans Nelson and Lorraine Nelson, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Pattison, Beverly Hills; and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Cantor.

Also L. M. Giannini, Bank of America executive; Mrs. Olive del Ruth and Mrs. W. Porter, Hollywood; Mr. and Mrs. James F. Townsend (Josephine Hutchinson), Beverly Hills; Mr. and Mrs. John Stahl, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Brunmark and Barbara Brunmark, Buffalo, New York; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Whitmore and Mr. and Mrs. Deane Funk, Bloomington, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Wadley, Indianapolis, and many other prominent people.

Xatwatwat

(By Randall Henderson in Calexico Chronicle)

If any of the artistic souls in Imperial valley regard "New River" as too prosaic a name for the deep chasm which winds across the desert to Salton Sea, they have the option of using the old Indian name.

The Kamia who inhabited this region before it was invaded by the white man called it Xatwatwat. You can pronounce that name any way you want to, as far as I am concerned. My authority for this bit of Indian lore is E. W. Gifford, who made an exhaustive study of the Kamia in 1928 and whose report was published by the Smithsonian institute.

Some of the Chronicle readers, perhaps, will protest that there was no New River until the Colorado ran wild in 1905 and 1906 and gouged out the present channel. That is one of the fallacies which has been passed along to newcomers. But it is inaccurate. The channel existed prior to the flood as a shallow swale marked by an occasional waterhole. Infrequently, when the flood stage of the Colorado river was exceptionally high, a small stream of overflow water came down this channel.

It was along New River—or Xatwatwat, whichever you prefer—that the Kamia camped. During periods of prolonged drought when the water supply was exhausted, they would move to the Alamo, or even to the west bank of the Colorado.

They lived off the country, trading mesquite beans for acorns with the Diegueno Indians on the west, killing jackrabbits with crude bows and arrows, or boomerangs, and planting a few melons in the overflow ground when the Colorado river was generous enough to furnish the water.

Despite the meager source of food and shelter, life in Imperial valley was more secure in those days than at present. It is true the savage Cocopahs on the south attacked them occasionally, but judging from such meager records as are available, none of the casualty lists ever approached the modern death roll in Imperial valley caused by "civilized" automobile drivers.

The Kamia, like the Yumas, the Dieguenos and other desert tribes, could stand every kind of punishment except civilization. When the white man came into the Southwest bringing new-fangled tools and comforts and luxuries the Indians slowly disappeared. At the time Gifford made his investigation, only six aged survivors of the Kamia tribe were known to be alive, and but two of them were full-blooded Kamias.

After you have figured out the Kamia pronunciation for New River, here are some others to practice on: Black Butte was Wiespa, Mt. Signal was Wikiwini, and the Colorado river was Xatwat. I'm glad we white folks didn't inherit the language along with the land.

Don Admiral, naturalist, lecturer, and columnist for The Desert Sun, in January of 1936, will again be heard on Bullock's Desert Program. The title of his illustrated talk will be "Desert of the Palms" the name suggested by him for this desert which now is generally referred to as the Colorado desert. Mr. Admiral is a prime mover in the campaign seeking the name change.

HORSE SHOW MANAGER SAYS PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT FOR 1936

A. P. Fleming, famed manager of a circuit of horse shows on the Pacific coast, was a guest at the Desert Inn last week-end, while in Palm Springs working on plans for a proposed horse show to be staged here next April.

Mr. Fleming came here from Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona, where he has spent two weeks completing preliminary work for the spring shows to be held in those cities next March.

While here, he declared he finds interest in horse shows growing at a rapid rate, not only among the business people in the communities which he has visited but a personal interest from riders and those who have a general love of a horse. This year, 1935, has been an especially good show year, according to Fleming, who declared interest no doubt will increase even further to make 1936 a greater year for horse shows.

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Princess Zoraida, the world's greatest Egyptian master of occult science, has opened her beautiful Oriental studio on North Palm Canyon Drive.

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Concentration is the watchword of her work and events of the past, present and future parade before her mental vision in a never ending array. That the power of concentration is capable of producing a state in the sub-conscious mind capable of creating visions of the past, present and future, is an acknowledged fact the world over and is the fundamental principle of occult science, a science as old as the world, born in the bosom of the mysterious East and carried to the four corners of the world by those blessed at birth with power to interpret the signs, visions and omens portrayed in the mysterious crystal glass.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox, famous writer, says in the New York American of Princess Zoraida, "I have met a woman who has been able to tell me all sorts of true things relative of my past, present and to foresee many things in the future. All others interested in occult science should not fail to see this remarkable woman."

While in New York from her Fifth Avenue studio, she was engaged on the radio, where she answered thousands of questions. She spent two years at the Century of Progress in Chicago.

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DESERT SUN BEAMS

Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Off, well known Palm Springs residents, are leaving the village today or tomorrow on a trip which will include sojourns of some length in Florida, Cuba, and Mexico. The Offs will go from here by auto to New Orleans where they plan to spend Christmas and from thence to Florida. There they will ship themselves and their automobile to Cuba, spent another month in a country which is familiar to the Palm Springs builder inasmuch as he formerly had an extensive ranch near Havana. Returning to Florida they plan to motor through Laredo and down into Mexico with the plan of spending a month or more in and around Mexico City. They expect to return to Palm Springs by the first of April.

Miss Cecilia Carlson and Miss Hazel Shepard of Whittier were injured Sunday, about two miles north of Palm Springs, when the automobile in which they were riding ran off the highway into the sand and turned over. Miss Shepard, a shop proprietor in Whittier, was treated by Dr. Jack C. Hill for a shoulder injury and Miss Carlson for cuts and bruises on the head.

The Ernst Off residence on Tachevah Road, east of El Mirador, has been purchased by A. E. Henry of Beverly Hills, who is now occupying it. Mr. Off has just completed an interesting smaller home of the Mexican style of architecture in La Rambla Tract in time for his wife and himself to move in after selling the larger residence. The Offs also acquired recently a residence in the Wilshire district in Los Angeles.

Seen recently lunching at El Mirador outdoor grill have been Mr. and Mrs. James Cagney, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dix, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Newman (Helen Keeler); Paul Cavanaugh, and others.

Recent guests at the Village Inn were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Borzage. Mr. Borzage is a well known Hollywood director.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Green of San Mateo are at present guests at the Village Inn for an extended stay.

E. F. Kuster, who had been ill since December 11, succumbed Monday evening at his home in the Vista Santa Rosa Tract. Mr. Kuster, 66 year old retired business man, is survived by his widow. A heart ailment was the cause of his demise.

Among the many guests at the Village Inn are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fuller of San Marino and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore T. Robinson of Ellyria, Ohio, and Miss Teresa M. Fields, who is supervising the construction of her new home in Palm Canyon Estates.

Rogers Stables this week added a new feature to its already well rounded program. The nature of this feature is a regular schedule of daily early morning rides into the interesting desert areas around Palm Springs. The rides will start at the stables and terminate there with a cowboy breakfast in the cookhouse. Adding to the range atmosphere will be breakfast music by the singing cowboys.

Mrs. Myra T. Munholland of Long Beach is visiting in Palm Springs with her son, J. G. Munholland, prominent realtor and head of the local real estate board.

ROOSEVELT ODDS SLUMP QUICKLY

Betting odds favoring reelection of President Roosevelt in 1936, 10 to 1 in the summer, shortened yesterday in New York to 11 to 10, Ryan & Co., Wall street betting commissioners, announced. Odds quoted three days ago were 7 to 5 favoring the President.

At the same time the betting brokers disclosed increased gambling support for Gov. Landon of Kansas. Odds yesterday were 5 to 7 that he would not receive the Republican nomination, against even money three days ago. Among the Republican possibilities, Col. Frank Knox, Chicago published, was next at even money. Senator Borah was third, 7 to 5 being offered against his nomination.

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P. S.—You do NOT have to be EXPERIENCED in the cafe business (I'm NOT), because the help does all the work, and run it very efficiently. (Though it's easy to learn.) Fact is, this business runs itself. Furthermore, it will pay for itself entirely in three years or even less, and you'll own a \$10,000 property, without one cent out of your pocket.

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HOLIDAY EVENTS AT EL MIRADOR CHRISTMAS WEEK

There will be many enjoyable events at El Mirador during the forthcoming Christmas and New Year holiday season. A gala dinner dance will be held this Saturday night to start off the festivities. The hall has been decorated in gay colors, and with numerous Christmas trimmings, and the affair has promise of being the most enjoyable experienced to date.

Next on the program is the Christmas Eve celebration. A large Christmas tree has been placed by the fireplace, and at 8:30 p. m. sharp, Santa will enter with a bag of gifts for all. Even though he has numerous other calls to make that evening, he will linger with the guests for quite some time, distributing gifts and entertaining the kiddies.

December 25th, in the evening, there will be another dance for guests of El Mirador and out-of-towners. Several special entertainers have been engaged to help keep the spirit of joy prevailing.

Throughout the holidays, numerous bridge parties, parlor games, entertainers, (among which are the Olivera, Puppeteers), a very noted soloist, a magician who has performed before all the crowned heads of Europe, games for the kiddies every day, and other things have been arranged to make and keep all merry and filled with the joy of life.

The holiday season will end with a very elaborate New Year's Eve dance. Reservations for this have been very heavy, and the hall is almost completely sold out—all of which will make a very enjoyable evening.

Recent Wedding Here Is Announced

A wedding of local interest took place at the manse in Palm Springs recently when Goldie Dee Stacey became the bride of Mr. Harold Jost.

Mrs. Jost is the daughter of R. E. Stacey, manager of the Southern California Freight Lines at Banning. Mr. Jost is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Jost and is employed in the Standard Oil service in San Geronio Pass.

The many friends of the happy young couple wish them bon voyage o'er the sea of connubial bliss.

Dr. Raymond M. Brooks, president of Cummock School of Los Angeles and Mrs. Brooks, together with Dr. Clifford N. Hand of the faculty of Pomona College, and Mrs. Hand, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Williamson last week-end.

LITTLE THEATER GROUP TO GIVE ONE-ACT PLAYS

Two hours a week of free dance instruction, has been donated by the Roy Randolph School of Dancing, under the direction of Clay Irwin, to the members of the Little Theatre of Palm Springs. Mr. Randolph will also assist in directing the next production given by the Little Theatre. He has made himself famous in the Los Angeles society circles, by directing most of the productions given by "The Twenty Little Working Girls," and other prominent organizations.

Short one-act plays will be given at each meeting of the Little Theatre beginning December 23. The first play, entitled "The Triangle," will have in the cast: Dorothy Fanning, Orin Burch and Alice Hovley.

Anyone interested in joining the organization, is invited to attend the meeting to be held in the open air school building at the Desert Inn, Monday evening, Dec. 23, at 7:30 o'clock, according to Mrs. Ida Cuffe, secretary.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO HAVE SET-OUT CAR SERVICE SOON

Because of the increasing number of early arriving visitors in Palm Springs, the Southern Pacific railroad will begin its set-out car service at Indianoia a month earlier this season than heretofore, it was announced this week by G. N. Farlin, traveling agent of the traffic department of the Southern Pacific Company.

Travelers from Eastern points on trains arriving at night thus remain in the steam-heated car until limousines of Tanner Motor Livery call for them.

This service, which is a special provision for travelers coming to and going from Palm Springs, was inaugurated several years ago. At that time the service called for two set-out cars each week for only six weeks. Because travel here has increased so much each year, the service is now being increased to extend over a half-month period, Farlin said.

The Southern Pacific Company, he pointed out, furnishes through the Tanner Motor Livery transportation to and from the set-out cars in Indianoia, where exclusive use of a limousine is not required, and the transportation charges are most nominal.

ANNUAL XMAS GYMKHANA HERE SUNDAY, DEC. 22ND

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buckles barred; must use latigo straps. Start from scratch, in front of grandstand. Saddle and bridle, once around track. Saddle must be secure at finish.

Class 10—Children's running race. Children under 16 years. One-quarter mile, standing start. English or Western saddle. Thoroughbreds barred.

Class 11—Pony express race. One-half mile, three changes, four teams with three horses each, start in front of grandstand, first change half way around track opposite grandstand, second change in front of grandstand, last lap riders making the complete circuit, finishing in front of grandstand. Each lap rider must touch ground with both feet when changing.

Class 12—Running race. Open. The management will not be responsible for any accident that may occur to any rider or horse exhibited at the show, and the exhibitors shall hold the management harmless and indemnify it against any legal proceedings arising from any such accident.

Riders will not be permitted to punish their horses with unnecessary severity. Should any question or dispute arise, not provided for in the foregoing rules, the same shall be referred to the committee, whose decision shall be final.

This show is sponsored and presented by the Palm Springs Junior Chamber of Commerce for the amusement and edification of the guests and citizens of Palm Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan, prominent in motion picture circles, are on their way to New York on the Grace Liner, S. S. Santa Paula, to spend the holidays in the East, after spending a vacation of considerable length in Palm Springs.

XMAS CAROLS AT DESERT INN TUESDAY NIGHT

Scores of socialites and their families are spending the holiday season at the Desert Inn where many interesting Yuletide events are being held. The lounge and De Anza dining room are to be decorated in the Christmas motif.

Christmas carols will be sung on Christmas Eve by a double male quartet of expertly trained voices under the direction of Freeman High. It is also expected that these singers will make a tour of the village Christmas Eve, singing Yuletide songs of good tidings. On Christmas Day, the group will present a program of Christmas songs at the Desert Inn. The singers are known as the Vigilantes Male Double Quartet.

On Thursday, Dec. 19, students of the Desert Inn open air school under the direction of their teacher, Miss Virginia Beatie, presented a puppet show, "The Adventures of a Princess," which they wrote, produced and they maneuver the puppets themselves. Among those participating were Helene and Harry Hanbury, Teddy Hilton, Peggy Batsch, Joan Morris, Forbes Hauptman, John Levee. The admission prices for the supper show as announced by the children were: Adults, 10c; children, 5c; and dogs, 2c.

Cynthia and Mimi McAdoo have returned with their mother, Mrs. W. G. McAdoo, Jr., to Palm Springs and plan to enter the Desert Inn Open Air School which they attended last year. The Misses McAdoo appear in an interesting picture in the December 15th issue of Vogue Magazine.

Today a Christmas party for pupils of the Desert Inn Open Air School for children and children of guests of the Desert Inn and Village Inn was held with Miss Virginia Beatie in charge of arrangements for the affair.

DESERT SUN BEAMS

The Palm Springs home of Judge Ralph Clock of Long Beach was completed this week with the last finishing touches being put on in order to have the home ready for occupancy between Christmas and New Years, the time the Clocks expect to move in. The home is near that of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Morrison. Lloyd Weirick of Bullocks is doing the interior finishing and attending to the home furnishings.

Monroe Owsley, screen actor, is enjoying a stay in the village this week. Theodore Stein will return to Palm Springs next week from Indianapolis to join his family here.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shanklin, in the San Bernardino hospital, a daughter, weight 7½ pounds. Mr. Shanklin is assistant manager of the local Standard Oil service station. Mr. and Mrs. Randalcliff Haniman of San Diego, who recently moved into their new home just completed in the Araby Tract, entertained a group of guests last week-end. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Kelley of San Diego, Dr. Harold Harris, recently from Vienna and now of Hollywood, and Miss Dorothy Sacks, also of Hollywood.

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M'ADOO VISITS WORLD'S LONGEST TUNNEL NEAR HERE

Harking back to the days when he was a famous tunnel builder, William G. McAdoo, United States Senator from California, was a visitor Thursday at the eighteen-mile East Coachella bore of the Metropolitan Water district, longest tunnel of its size in the world and now almost completely excavated.

The Senator also visited the famed thirteen-mile San Jacinto tunnel of the aqueduct, donning oilskins, rubber boots, and a miner's "hard hat" for the trip underground. On a tour of inspection of the entire 300-mile aqueduct construction front, from Los Angeles to the Colorado river, McAdoo was accompanied by W. P. Whitsett, chairman of the Water District board of directors, and Directors Perry H. Greer and Otto J. Emme, of Los Angeles.

Although stops were made to inspect aqueduct canal, siphon, and conduit construction at various points, the Senator evinced particular interest in tunnel operations, having been the man who completed the first tunnel under the Hudson river in New York.

At the East Coachella bore, the party saw crews working on the last lap of the famous tunnel, there being only about 600 feet of rock remaining to be excavated before the two sections are connected and form a single bore eighteen miles from end to end. The hoing through between the two tunnel sections is scheduled to take place January 2.

THE DESERT

(By Don Admiral, the Naturalist)

(Continued From First Page)

but if it is not checked the persons who love the desert will awaken to the bitter fact that much damage has been done. The roads from north of the Village to south of Cathedral City should be patrolled each Sunday and holiday.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Beck last Friday. He weighed nine pounds and has been named William Ray Beck.

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Hits and Misses

(Harvey Johnson)

One of the popular forms of outdoor exercise is that of thumbing. The highway is strung with thumbers, who express their wishes by the silent medium of the uplifted thumb. If words were expressed they would mean "gimme a ride." The thumbers constitute a great, wandering army of men, bent on going no place in particular. The password for a ride among the fraternity is the uplifted thumb. There are no lodge dues. The public pays their upkeep in some way—excepting for a large proportion of thumbers who would actually work, were they given a chance. There are also thousands of thumbers thumbing themselves along the roads who are looking for work and hoping they can not find it.

A mute language, thumbing? Usually so, unless the thumber is not given a ride, in which event it is thumbs down for him and he expresses his rage in language so hot that it would almost set fire to wet sagebrush.

Many a mother, when she went down into the shadows to bear a son, said she did not want to raise her boy to be a soldier. She might have said she did not want her son to be a thumber.

The exercise of thumbing is a healthful form. The muscles of the shoulders and arm are strengthened as the thumber shoots his thumb into the desert or valley air and there is relaxation to every part of the body, but not to the mind, when the thumb comes down and the driver, who was invited to give the thumber a lift, speeds blithely on his way, leaving the thumber enveloped in gas fumes and profanity.

The writer, were he in the thumbing business, would probably break the law in order to avoid the strenuous form of outdoor gymnastics commonly known as hitch-hiking. What caused the compound word "hitch-hiking" to be coined? We can understand the hike part, but where does the hitch come in?

Thumbing is against the law in California. Most everything is against the law. It is even unlawful for a motorist to intentionally run down, maim or cripple a hitch-hiker. Fifteen states and the District of Columbia have passed laws prohibiting solicitation of rides on the highway. Penalties range from a \$2 fine or a day in jail to a \$300 fine and 10 days in jail. Just some more laws.

Imagine, if you can, a hitch-hiker being brought into court and accused of shooting his thumb perpendicularly into the ozone. Jury might disagree on the gravity of the crime.

Wichita, Kansas, found through finger-printing hitch-hikers over a certain period that two out of every five of them had criminal records. They seem to be like millions of others in that respect; but a lot of criminals have neither been caught nor arrested.

Los Angeles councilmen refuse to wear high silk hats when riding in a parade. Must all be running for office again.

News dispatches says that a former Secretary of the Interior, Friday, was feeling better and was "his old self again." If such be the case, better lock up the national resources of the country and hide the key.

Away back in the Tennessee Valley the folks are fighting the proposal of the federal government, which plans to electrify rural regions. They want to keep on burning their kerosene lamps and barn lanterns. The old kerosene lamp has done valiant service in American history. Member the old farm house, where a single kerosene lamp provided all the kilowatts? Then dad would read the Youth's Companion to the kids and after the offspring were tucked between the quilts they would dream about the adventures as recited in the Companion. And the old kerosene lamp furnished the light by which to read the ads in the magazines which cost 10 cents a year. Next day a mail order went out for something; maybe a magic lantern, a hoop-skirt, or a set of harness with brass hames and tassels on the crupper.

And grandpap read the pa-

pers with specs, not glasses. He got along all right. No eye-strain for grandpap, except when a city gal drove by in the surrey.

Eggs are down. The faithful hens put them there.

Hoboes are being driven out of most cities and California will get a big hobo crop, even if it doesn't rain. Angered and alarmed by a wave of sluggings, burglaries and petty thievery, Maricopa county (Ariz.) law-enforcement agencies joined in an intensive drive to rid Phoenix of transient undesirables. Every man found loitering about the streets is arrested; itinerants found in railroad yards either are jailed or forced to move on, and radio car patrols of residential districts were increased. One man died from injuries he received when attacked by footpads; another still was in a hospital with serious injuries, and four others were injured less seriously within a period of a few days. So—welcome to California, 'boes, and Merry Christmas; but make a non-stop flight!

THE SOCIAL INSECURITY ACT
"The dangers which lurk behind the Social Security Act doom it from its birth," writes Abraham Epstein, executive director of the American Association for Social Security in the December issue of Harper's Magazine. "The plan contemplates the building up of the most gigantic reserve, estimated to reach over fifty billion dollars by 1980—more than four times the value of all the gold reserves of the world's central banks and governments. The freezing of so much sorely needed purchasing power cannot but hamper recovery. The problem of investing such huge sums will prove insuperable. No one can guarantee that such fantastic governmental credits will ever be made good. It is utopian to pledge today the America of fifty years hence. Large reserves are always in danger of being usurped by politicians for other purposes, as experience with other funds amply testifies. Should even a partial inflation wipe out some of these funds, no one can calculate the menace it will create."

"It is a confession of complete ignorance of the principles of social insurance for liberals to argue that with all its faults, the act, nevertheless 'makes a beginning.' A beginning toward what? Only incapacity to see the long-range interests of labor prompts William Green to gloat over the fact that the act places the responsibility for unemployment insurance upon employers. A tax on pay-rolls is not a tax on the owners of industry but on the workers as consumers. The act does not levy a cent on the owners of industry, as Mr. Green thinks it does. And it is palpable nonsense or worse for Miss Perkins to arouse great hopes that this act will give protection to the working masses. . . . The act merely sets up a system of compulsory payments by poor Paul for impoverished Peter. The law actually decreases the purchasing power of the masses by depriving them of immediate purchases, by relieving the well-to-do from their share of the social burden, and by making the workers pay the expenses of a vast administration. It is especially cruel and reprehensible to saddle upon the employed workers new and burdensome direct and indirect taxes in the face of contributed unemployment amidst rising prices, mounting state and municipal sales taxes which fall largely upon the poor, and a steadily declining wage scale, considerably induced by low PWA wages."

MANY COYOTES KILLED IN CALIFORNIA IN YEAR

Coyotes had a tough time last year, according to figures compiled by the Division of Fish and Game, Department of Natural Resources.

Statistics obtained from tabulation of the first 10,000 hunting applications received this year show that these 10,000 sportsmen killed 2,414 of the wily and destructive animals in 54 counties of the state. Gun, trap and poisoned bait accounted for the majority of them. When the final figures are obtained from checking the more than 170,000 applications now in hand, this number will run to nearly 35,000, if the same average is maintained.

Under the plan now in effect, the Division requires that each hunting applicant fill out a blank which furnishes statistics relating to bag, location and species of animals and birds taken. These figures enable the division to concentrate its energies in places where most needed.

Mrs. John Munholland returned early this week from a two weeks' visit with her sons in Long Beach.

HOW TO COOK THAT HOLIDAY TURKEY

(By Gladys B. Price, Nationally Known Home Economist)



It's holiday time and if, for the holiday feast, the family has set its collective heart on turkey, m'lady's responsibility in the kitchen has definitely increased!

When Mr. — or Mrs. Turkey is decided upon for the "big dinner" there are numerous questions arise in the housewife's mind. How large shall the turkey be? Shall it be a tom or a hen? How should it be cooked to reach that "just right" stage that sends each member of the household into rhapsodies of delight? Here, Mrs. Housewife, are a few suggestions that may help.

First, as for size, figure on about three quarters to a pound of turkey per person. This is weight "as purchased" which means undrawn and with head and feet still on, the way turkeys are commonly sold in most markets. And when ordering the bird, ask the market man to cut off the feet instead of chopping them off, and to avoid chopping off the wing tips when he draws the bird. The neck should be cut off as close as possible. As for being a tom or a hen, there's really no difference at all, although the toms sell for a slightly higher price. If there's any difference in meat quality few can detect it.

And now for the final rites. Remove the pinfeathers, singe over a gas flame, and wash thoroughly. As a reminder—if you, instead of the market man, draw the turkey, be careful not to break the gall bladder.

The question now arises—what kind of stuffing shall we have? Mushroom dressing is one of my favorites, and I recommend it highly.

Here is the recipe:
3 cups finely chopped mushrooms.
6 cups stale bread crumbs.
1 tablespoon salt.
1 tablespoon onion juice.
½ teaspoon celery salt.
½ teaspoon pepper.
1 cup chopped celery.
2 tablespoons chopped chives.
½ cup melted butter.
Few grains cayenne.
Few grains nutmeg.
2 tablespoons chopped parsley.
About 2 cups stock or milk.
Combine all ingredients. Do not make too moist.

As for the amount of dressing, allow one cup of dressing for each pound of turkey, and do not pack too tight. Be sure to salt the inside of the turkey.

When the turkey has been stuffed, sew the openings and truss him up to make a compact roast. A small skewer may be used. Take a strong cord and tie the ends of the legs together, bringing it around the tailpiece, then forward over the upper tips of the wings and tie across the back. The turkey may be stuffed and trussed the day before and kept in your Electrolux, to facilitate cooking of the dinner on the big day.

And now for the roasting. Place the turkey in a roaster or pan, place in your gas range oven and roast at 300 degrees Fahrenheit until tender—about three or four hours—depending on the size. Do not sear, and roast in an uncovered pan with no water. And, incidentally, with this method of cooking basting is not necessary. A savory moist turkey will be your result, with no "charred," hard, or dry outer crusts.

The same directions for roasting chicken are recommended, except that roasting time is a little longer per pound. A three or four pound roasting chicken requires from 28 to 30 minutes per pound.

COUNTIES ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY DESTITUTE LOAD—OR ELSE?

Demand that counties pay full benefits to the destitute aged or lose state funds comes from a legislative committee.

Chairman James Brennan, San Francisco, charged that many counties were evading their responsibilities by using a minimum base in figuring aid payments rather than the maximum intended by the legislature.

The state law provides a maximum payment of \$35 a month and a minimum of \$20 payable to destitute persons 65 years of age and older and residents of the state 15 years.

Assemblyman William Hornblower, San Francisco, author of the act but not a committee member, charged that "the counties have ducked this law" and cut the average to less than \$20.

Coincident with a demand that the state which divides the cost of aid with the counties shut off its share unless they comply with the intent of the law, the committee told the department of social welfare of California that a drastic revision of its regulations was necessary.

HELLO, PALM SPRINGS



Pat O'Brien has the dramatic opportunity of his successful film career in "Stars Over Broadway," the new Warner Bros. musical comedy which also marks the film debuts of the radio stars, James Melton and Jane Froman. It opens at the Palm Springs Theatre Sunday for two days.

QUAIL HUNTING RESULTS

"SPOTTED" IN STATE

Quail hunting in certain sections of California is better than it has been in years, according to reports received from wardens of the Division of Fish and Game, Department of Natural Resources.

The section where the best shooting has been reported extends from Los Angeles county northward to the Oregon border and sections in that territory east of the coast range. Conditions in the southern section have not been so prolific of good bags. Many limits were taken on opening days but the birds have scattered since and are not easy to bag.

The quail season opened November 15 in all districts and closes the end of this month. Bag limits are ten per day and in possession, twenty per week.

Duck season to date has been disappointing on account of lack of storms or hazy weather on favorite feeding grounds. The opening days were good but the birds then scattered. Many hunters believe that the flight of big northern birds has not come into the state, due to dry weather. The season for duck closes December 19, according to Federal regulation.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" This question is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon on Sunday in all branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. The Golden Text is from Hebrews, "Every house is built by some man; but he that built all things is God." The Responsive Reading includes these words of the Psalmist: "Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty. . . . Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth. The glory of the Lord shall endure for ever; the Lord shall rejoice in his works." One of the Bible selections in the Lesson-Sermon cites these verses from the Psalms: "All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord; and thy saints shall bless thee. They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power; . . . Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations."

The Lesson-Sermon includes also this passage from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The great I AM made all 'that was made.' Hence man and the spiritual universe coexist with God."

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CHECKS FOR W. P. A. WORKERS BY CHRISTMAS

Wage checks totaling nearly \$95,000 will have been received by Riverside county workers on WPA projects before Christmas. With receipt Monday of checks totaling \$7542, the amount distributed in the county to date totaled \$79,741.35, with another lot totaling more than \$15,000 anticipated between the 22nd and 25th.

Extraordinary efforts are to be made to deliver every dime coming to WPA workers before Christmas, was the assurance of C. A. Prentice, chief paymaster.

"We'll deliver every check, if humanly possible, up to midnight of the 24th, and on Christmas day if they

should arrive too late for the day before," he said. "If we can't find the man on his project we will endeavor to get in touch with him at his home, or inform him where he can get his check."

Federal funds totaling \$1,437,244 have been released for operation of projects in Riverside county, according to District Director Ralph B. Smith. Sponsors' contributions will total \$407,106, bringing the grand total to \$1,844,350.

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New Name For Desert Gains Wide Approval

If The Desert Sun attempted to reprint all the newspaper comment that has appeared in newspapers throughout the state, regarding the name "Desert of the Palms" now being used generally to replace the inappropriate name, "Colorado Desert," there would be no space for other local news.

With but only one exception, newspaper comments coming to this editor's desk, have approved the new name, R. H. Postlethwaite, pioneer of Coachella Valley, submitted his objections to the Coachella Valley "Submarine," and even he admitted in his epistle that Colorado desert is not appropriate when he wrote:

"You might explain to some of our newcomers how the name Coachella Valley was given to this area, the natural water supply of which comes NOT FROM THE COLORADO RIVER but from the surrounding mountains. The suggested new name for our Valley, viz., 'Desert of the Palms,' may be appreciated by those who exploit Palm Springs but certainly will not appeal to the inhabitants of Coachella Valley who make their homes here and who are rapidly transforming it from a desert into a rich cultivated region. From a commercial standpoint the present name has a very real and potential advertising value for our product. Prices are regularly quoted for Coachella grapes, grapefruit, beans, onions, etc., in the city papers."

Editor Randall Henderson of the Calexico Chronicle answered Mr. Postlethwaite by writing:

"It is necessary to discount Mr. Postlethwaite's opposition for the reason that he evidently misunderstood Don Admiral's proposal. He assumed that the name 'Coachella Valley' was to be changed to 'Desert of the Palms.' As a matter of fact there was no thought on the part of those sponsoring the change to eliminate either Coachella or Imperial as the local names of valleys within the general boundaries of the Colorado River Desert."

Editor A. A. Piddington of the Riverside Press, who has great influence and is widely quoted in newspapers throughout the West, is in favor of the new name, as evidenced by his editorial in a recent issue of his newspaper:

"Changing names of old-time streets, avenues, towns, or even deserts does not appeal to us as a general thing. The suggestion, however, that the desert area in the eastern portion of Riverside county be called 'Desert of the Palms' is a good one, inasmuch as the present name 'Colorado Desert' has no local significance, is a misnomer and misleading, the only excuse for such name being the fact that the Colorado river runs along one side of it.

"The proposed name is the suggestions of Don Admiral, naturalist of Palm Springs, in The Desert Sun of Palm Springs, which newspaper points out that this name is truly descriptive of the desert area because of the location of groups of native palms at such places as Palm Springs, Palm Canyon, Thousand Palms, Twenty-nine Palms, Two-bunch Palms, Seven Palms, Dos Palms, Curtis Palms, Biskra Palms, and many other palmcovered canyons, such as Surprise Springs, Andreas Canyon, and Murray Canyon.

"Such a euphonious title will without doubt be accepted not only by residents of the area which will be affected by the change, but by Southern Californians generally. There is some undefinable charm which lures people to this wonderful productive area of Riverside county desert. The romance of the native

palms as well as the interest in the palms propagated for profit in the Coachella valley should be given its share of credit for enticing folks there. And that being the case, the name proposed by Don Admiral is hereby indorsed by this editor as admirably fitted for the area. 'Desert of the Palms' would be a most appropriate and descriptive name for one of the most alluring sections of Riverside county."

R. H. Postlethwaite of Coachella Valley misunderstood one sentence in The Desert Sun when the new name was suggested, viz: "No more fitting name could be found for the Coachella Valley." He overlooked the fact that the sentence was part of a long article in which it was pointed out that the new name for the entire desert region would be best for every subdivision of the entire area, with no thought of changing the names of every section and district. However, his home town newspaper has answered him satisfactorily. Here is what Ed Corn, author of the first-page "Low Down" column of the Coachella Valley Submarine had to say about it:

"Plans to give our desert a distinctive name value did not include any idea of even suggesting that it take the name of communities within the desert area, away from that particular community," writes Don Admiral of Palm Springs in answer to the letter of R. H. Postlethwaite recently published in the columns of the Coachella Valley Submarine.

"Mr. Postlethwaite took exception to the suggestion on the part of Mr. Admiral that the name 'Colorado Desert' be changed to 'Desert of the Palms.' The last paragraph of the article relating the suggested change of name which appeared in The Desert Sun, stated 'no more fitting name could be found for the Coachella Valley,' and, therefore, the bone of contention on the part of Mr. Postlethwaite.

"In the meantime, Randall Henderson, dean of Southern California editors and editor of the Calexico Chronicle, has joined Mr. Admiral in denying that an attempt is being made to change the names of the Imperial and Coachella valleys. Mr. Postlethwaite in turn has written Mr. Henderson.

"A recent conversation with Carl Barkow, editor of The Desert Sun, disclosed that it was not the intention of Palm Springs to change the names of Imperial and Coachella valleys or to efface them in the name 'Desert of the Palms.' It would be an impossibility. Coachella and Imperial valleys are world renowned; Coachella for its delicious dates — Imperial for its vegetables.

"If Palm Springs has an ulterior motive in suggesting the change in the desert name, it does not appear on the surface, and our investigation of the matter has disclosed no such attempt. True, we are new here, and reprinted the story of several weeks ago suggesting the name change—without first investigating, but we are convinced that there is no ulterior motive in the suggestion and if there were, Coachella and Imperial valleys would not stand for the change."

And so adoption of the new name gains momentum until "The Desert of the Palms" will be better known throughout the world than "Colorado desert" ever has been. In the past there has been no particular reason to mention "Colorado desert" because of the misleading nature of the name, consequently our desert has been referred to only as "the desert," which might be located anywhere. America will learn that our desert is the only one in this country where native palm trees grow, for it is called "The Desert of the Palms."

THE OPEN FORUM

Palm Springs is just starting! I traversed this desert before Palm Springs was born, and have seen the towns of California grow from nothing to what they are today. Notwithstanding that some of our pioneer residents seem to think Palm Springs has lost the charm it had as a nice, quaint, quiet, primitive place where one could rest and relax—and that it is getting too civilized.

Well, they haven't seen anything yet. Palm Springs will continue to grow in a healthy way, just as she is growing today, without speculation. Everybody with sufficient wealth, wants—and will—have a home here. It won't be long until we will see leading business men of Los Angeles, in their desire to get away from the fogs, living in winter homes here, and flying to their business places in the city mornings and back here evenings. To say Palm Springs will have a winter population of 10,000, is putting it mildly.

With all commerce coming back fast to normal, and dividends and earnings increasing rapidly, and stocks advancing in value, everyone with means now feels like seeking more pleasure and relaxation. Everybody is getting more desert-minded. Where will these people go, but to Palm Springs, to bask in winter's sunshine.

Nowhere on earth does health-giving Old Sol lavish such benefits. Of course, we get some bad weather, but even that is much less severe here than in any other recreational spot on earth.

There are two classes of people in America: Those who now winter here—and those who want to. The greatest asset Palm Springs has is the large number of wealthy people here as residents.

A few years back great tourist hotels in other Southern California towns enjoyed the influx of rich patrons, but since Palm Springs got her wonderful hotels, the others have lost their tourist business to Palm Springs.

Some local businesses may forge ahead of our population, figuring on future prosperity, but the residence section will soon catch up with the business district.

We are having a healthy growth. People come here to build their homes, so their families can live here during the winter. Let's hope no crazy speculation boom will ever occur here as it did some years ago in Miami, Florida.

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HAMILTON TELLS OF ROAD PROJECTS AT C. OF C. MEETING

Nearly 100 members of San Bernardino County Chamber of Commerce on Friday evening heard Congressman Samuel L. Collins of Orange condemn the American army and navy as obsolete defense units, and recommend unification of fighting forces under a secretary of air or defense. C. D. Hamilton, state highway commissioner from Banning, also spoke to the biannual meeting at La Posado cafe, outlining road plans for this county, according to the Redlands Facts.

"I am convinced that our army and our navy have outlived their usefulness," Collins exclaimed. "I believe the navy is not useful beyond the services of patrolling out coast and carrying supplies. I am through with appropriating money to build the fleet even up to treaty strength."

Hamilton said some \$1,000,000 is earmarked in the state treasury for improvements to San Bernardino county roads within the current biennium. "Improvements will be made on these roads as fast as the engineering department can get to them," he stated.

Five projects named in the budget are: Improvement on the Arrowhead Trail from Mountain Pass to Nevada state line, \$415,000; new road from Santa Ana river to Colton, \$330,000; addition of a third lane to Colton avenue from slaughterhouse bridge to connection with new Central avenue, \$110,000; improved road circling Lake Arrowhead, \$75,000; elimination of some dips between Calimesa and Beaumont, \$77,000.

Hamilton said he hopes to see other improvements included in the next budget, as follows: A fourth lane added to Foothill boulevard; a third lane added to Valley boulevard; a three-lane road from Beaumont to Palm Springs; improvements of the route from Redlands to San Bernardino via North Orange street and Third street; improvement of roads in the San Bernardino mountains, not specifically named.

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TAX DODGERS TO SEEK LEASES ON PALM SPRINGS RESERVATION, SAYS WRITER

The proposal to make 99-year leases on the Palm Springs Indian reservation has caused considerable discussion in the desert community for the past few months, but very little has been said in print until it was featured on the first page of the San Francisco Chronicle this week, by Earl C. Behrens, foremost political writer of the state. Mr. Behrens has been in Palm Springs the past few weeks. Here is his article:

Carving a 50 square mile slice of Indian territory out of the Colorado desert, a group of Hollywood promoters are planning with the aid of the Federal government a state tax free principality at Palm Springs from which residents therein may thumb their collective noses at California's sales taxes, her income tax law and at her real and personal property tax collectors.

The steps necessary to provide the tax-exempt territory in this unique undertaking already have been started at Washington. Belated protests are now being made by Palm Springs property owners and at the coming session of Congress, beginning next month a vigorous fight will be made to kill the bills which would turn over to the promoters upwards of 33,000 acres of land now included in the Palm Springs or Agua Caliente Indian reservation.

Senate Bill Passed

One of the bills which would create the odd situation of permitting California residents to turn back the state's tax collectors already has passed the senate and is now before the house committee on Indian Affairs. That bill was authored by Senator Hiram W. Johnson. A second bill by Representative Sam Collins of this district is also in the Indian Affairs committee of the house. Collins, however, upon protests of the people of Riverside county has agreed to kill his bill.

Secretary of the Interior Ickes in whose department the bureau of Indian affairs is located also has given approval of the plan to lease the Indian reservation land for a period of 99 years.

"Legally," writes John Collier, commissioner of Indian affairs, "the Palm Springs and other Indian lands in California are subject only to the Federal laws."

Collectors Defied

At present, the state of California sales tax collectors sent out by the board of equalization have been defied by proprietors of stores that have leased lots under an oral agreement with the Indians on the reservation which is just across the street from Palm Springs.

More than 1100 persons, other than the 50 Indians of the Palm Springs tribe, have taken up a residence on the reservation. They live in squatter-type huts and are free from all state taxes. The presence of this army of persons unregulated by the state and county authorities has brought forth loud protests to the Federal government. Just a few days ago, permission was given for state authorities to cooperate with the Federal government in demanding health and sanitary regulatory measures be taken on the reservation.

The Hollywood promoters who are ready with plans for their tax-free principality here in the desert openly state they expect to give those who built homes and business establishments upon the Indian reservation a tax situation unparalleled in California.

Acting under instruction from Secretary Ickes, Indian Commissioner Collier has notified the Palm Springs Chamber of Commerce officials that the proposed leasing measure grants no taxing rights to California.

Woman Leads Protest

Led by Mrs. Nellie Coffman, unofficial mayor of Palm Springs and founder of the Desert Inn, a show place of Southern California, a protest meeting was held here this week and two members of congress, Representative John Steven McGroarty, poet laureate of California and author of the Townsend old age pension law in the house, and Representative Collins were called in for the meeting. McGroarty proposed to ask congress to abolish the Indian Affairs Bureau altogether.

Even the Indians are protesting against the measure. Under the bill which has the benediction of Secretary Ickes, "at least 20 percent of the gross revenue derived by the promoters from leases" is to go into a

community fund for the Indians. But the money will be handled by the Indian Affairs Bureau and will be doled out by the government officials. The Indians want the funds to come directly to them.

The Indian reservation land leasing bills were slipped along in congress last summer without much ado and with the people of Palm Springs apparently blissfully ignorant of their effect. Now the fireworks has begun.

Promoters' Attitude

The Hollywood promoters, who hope to sell plenty of lots to movie actors who would be able to keep their stocks and bonds out of the sight of the income tax collectors, insist they are doing a favor to the residents of Palm Springs by improving the Indian reservation, separated by only a street from the swanky desert village.

They declare they will be able to clean up unsatisfactory conditions now existing among the Indians and take the burden off the local school district which has to provide at the expense of the local taxpayers school facilities for the hordes of children of those squatting in the Indian reservation.

But the business people, like Mrs. Coffman, who mothered the town started here 25 years ago, declare they would be unable to compete with Indian reservation land occupants who would go scot free from the sales tax, as they are now doing, and from state and county real and personal property taxes.

Indians Have Committee

The Palm Springs Indians have a tribal committee which handles the affairs of the small band of approximately 50 members, living on the unallotted reservation. The committee approved a leasing proposal which would have turned over the funds directly to their own representatives.

But they refuse to accept the amendment of the agents of the Great White Father at Washington, putting the anticipated lease money in the Federal treasury. Their dreams of fat incomes and no work in the future flew across the desert when their bill was amended. But they are strong for the Hollywood promoters.

DEATH OF PALM SPRINGS RESIDENT OCCURS DEC. 16

Ernest F. Custer, resident of Palm Springs for the past year, passed away in the village on December 16. He suffered from pneumonia. His wife survives.

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Jess Aykroyd, district inspector in Riverside for the state registrar of contractors, estimates that 180 new residences having an average value of 5000 are being built at Palm Springs.

This valuation of about \$900,000 does not include the several hundred homes which have been completed during the past year. Added to the building program is the new All-Denominational church costing \$26,000.

More construction is under way than at any time in the past history of the community, Mr. Aykroyd said. There is no shortage of labor and additional assistance is not required. Builders are sounding this note of caution in order to avoid an influx of labor which cannot be accommodated with living quarters.

AMERICAN UNDERWORLD CHIEF ORIGIN OF SLANG

Talking shop is one of the most fascinating pastimes invented by man, and because shop-talk is bound to be largely slang it is the chief source of slang. Strays from the trade and class slangs are always finding their way into general circulation to become general slang, some of them descending upon the nation like a pestilence.

Prolific sources of new coinage are the theater, sports and other columns of the newspaper and magazines, but the most productive mine is the underworld. The underworld is the richest purveyor of slang for common use, the reason being that thieves' lingo possesses great vitality.

This latter circumstance is not hard to explain. It is in the logic of things that slang should have one of its principal sources in the socially depths. The appeal of slang, its very reason for existence, is that it breaks away from law and usage, from the prose of measure and precision, and goes in for unrespectability and poetry. Slang is an excursion into outlawry.

High society has created little but inspired much slang. It prides itself on its correct English, which means it can take no credit for making the American branch of the language virile, expressive and picturesque. While there is little to be admired

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Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Eddy returned Saturday from a stay of several days at Parker and vicinity where Mr. Eddy tuned pianos, including one at the Parker school where 168 pupils are enrolled.

They stayed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Booth at Parker. Mr. Booth is with the federal engineering corps.

The Colorado river is quite a large stream, although much water is held back at Boulder dam and lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddy were greatly pleased with the Parker locality as a winter retreat. The desert and mountain scenery is very impressive and the climate at this season is ideal.

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VACATION COMES TO TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AT HIGH SCHOOL

Mary Lou Clark was voted the distinction of being the most popular girl in school in a contest held last week and in which the results were announced at Friday evening's yearbook benefit dance. Charles Weaver is the most popular boy. The most popular couple award went to Charles Crumpton and Mae Buss, of Cathedral City and Palm Springs, respectively. The most athletic boy is Ralph Murchison, and the most athletic girl, Jean Fulford. The girl with the prettiest hair is Jean Chisam. Wilmer Bullard won the prettiest hair contest for boys.

The yearbook benefit dance sponsored by the annual staff, Dan Choiser, editor-in-chief, and his assistants, was a huge success. Miss Thelma Harvison, Miss Daisy Cromwell and Mr. Warren M. Fisk, served on the committee acting for the faculty. Patrons and patronesses present were Mr. and Mrs. Lovell Chambers, Mrs. Chisam, Mr. and Mrs. Macy, Mr. and Mrs. Les Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Coverdale, Mrs. Al Jellison, Miss Gertrude Hemmerling, and Mr. and Mrs. George Hopper.

Miss Rachel Weller took her singing organizations to Riverside this morning to sing at this afternoon's session of the Riverside County Teachers' Institute. The music department has been busy the past few weeks in preparation for this program, the junior class one-act program of a week ago, and for the A. A. U. W. last Monday evening.

Coach Franklin Kiech does not mean for his basketball teams to rust out if he can help it. A's and C's split a double-header at Beaumont, Monday afternoon; B's and D's split another double-header at Banning, Tuesday—the A's and B's turning in wins for Banning; the A's lost to Riverside H. S. at Riverside, Wednesday, 25-20—and for the fine showing were given a return game at Banning some time soon; the B's and C's went into a basketball tournament at Hemet against all comers in Riverside county, Thursday and Friday, winning every game and coming home as the king fishes in their respective groupings.

Bob Gray, '36, made a research of fuel costs at B. U. H. S. last week and discovered that October and November were relatively warm months; that in the past seven years, our gas bills were less in 1933 than for any other October and November. This year's bills are much less than they were in 1929, 1930 and 1931, and they are below the average for the seven years by about ten percent.

Albert E. Kay is putting more content into the third year shop course this year than heretofore. Instead of giving automobile mechanics as a separate subject, he is making the course include automechanics, forging, welding, wrought iron, and machine shop so far as equipment will permit. The reason for this change is that in many cases boys owning cars do not necessarily have funds with which to keep them in good repair. In a flexible course of this nature it makes it possible for the boys to use their time profitably and with less expense in work other than automechanics. Confining a boy's experience to his own car does not provide a wide range and especially so when the funds are short with which to keep it in repair. It is the policy of the high school to repair only the cars belonging to boys taking shop, and in no way to compete with local industry.

The a cappella choir and the girls' sextet, augmented by "John Speaks for Himself," a one-act play by the social science department, were sent to Beaumont H. S. in an exchange assembly program, Wednesday afternoon. A fine spirit exists between the two schools. Beaumont entertained B. U. H. S. a few weeks ago, and will be back again about the middle of February.

Shirley Davenport made the best record of scholarship the first quarter, according to Mrs. Beulah G. Woodruff, chairman of the faculty committee sponsoring the scholarship society. She scored twelve points. Barbara Rose was on her heels with eleven and one-half. Present members of the society are Georgia Goring who has been a member for six semesters; Robson Chambers—a member for five semesters; Francilla Abbot and Marjorie Coombs, Charles Weaver, Mary Lou Clark, Barbara Fay Brown, Josephine Dushek, Agnes Stiasney, Marg-

Thoughts on Things

Harvey Johnson

One of the nicest presents that any motorist could give any human being for a Christmas present is the continuation of life itself. This can be done without cost, without the assistance of Santa Claus, simply by driving with care. There will be many funerals over the holidays, whether or not we like the prospect. Accidents are sometimes unavoidable, but in too many instances, like getting married, accidents are avoidable.

Let every motorist drive with extreme caution this holiday season. Then, if bad luck rides in the seat beside him, he can truthfully say that he tried his damndest to keep some one from going to the hospital.

Following the tragedies that stalked along Highway 99 in this locality, in November, when death and injury were manifest, there has been a reduction in the number of major traffic accidents here. This proves that the motorists are aware of the danger that is caused by careless driving, speed and back-seat driving. These new model cars have plenty of speed. They could outrun Nurni, the Finn racer.

Much progress is noted in automobile construction in thirty years. That is but a natural movement in mechanics and progress. Remember the old Fords, with their brass mountings on the radiators? The speed was 20 miles an hour, and it was "going some." One could travel clear to Redlands and back in a day. The ladies, riding in the back seat, wore veils and were bound to have the auto top down. The lights were acetylene.

Rarely was there a collision when cars went 20 miles an hour; but today the auto that goes at that snail's pace would be bumped into and shoved off the highway.

What became of all those old cars of thirty years ago? You can find hundreds of them being driven by the Washoe Indians up north, in the Carson City or Lake Tahoe district. The brass never wore out.

Remember how the wife, wishing style, had hubby get up early and polish the brass on the radiator before going on a trip? In those days folks were more democratic and cosmopolitan. The meat men threw in a lot of liver free with a two-bits buy of beefsteak.

Roaring along the roads, day and night, are trucks, trailers, housecars and pleasure cars. Each motorist is an engineer "at the throttle," and many of them should not be driving; simply because they never could learn to drive a car, no matter how much training they might have.

The motorist at the wheel, on congested highways, has a responsibility that he cannot evade.

Christmas is here. Sing carols. Get a little closer to the meek and lowly Nazarene. And don't forget to let the other fellow take the risk of killing or maiming on the highway, if he must.

Republicans will hold the national convention in a \$12,500,000 auditorium in Cleveland. The auditorium has been enlarged by wings and annexes by public works funds under the Democratic administration to accommodate the Republicans. The irony of fate, again.

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Here are a few high spots in other Decembers in California:

1595—Sebastian Rodriguez Cermeno, Portuguese mariner, was wrecked in Drake's bay, which he called "San Francisco Bay." In a small boat he actually missed the Golden Gate and Real San Francisco bay and dubbed the present Bay of Monterey "San Pedro bay."

1602—Sebastian Vizcaino, cruising with a small fleet along the coast, discovered and named Santa Barbara and San Nicolas islands, and on the 16th landed in Monterey bay.

1769—Gaspar de Portola, heading an expedition to discover and locate mission on Monterey bay, having reached Carmel river, retreated southward because of diminishing supplies. He resumed the search later and discovered the bay on May 24 of the next year.

1775—Father Francisco Garces, attached to the expedition of Capt. Juan Bautista de Anza, began extensive travels alone among the Indians. Among places visited were San Gabriel mission.

1775—First white child born in California near Warner ranch, San Diego county. His parents were members of the de Anza expedition.

1818—Hypolyte Bouchard, commanding a French privateer, plundered Refugio rancho near Dos Pueblos, north of Santa Barbara, (the present Naples). He later visited Santa Barbara, arranged exchange of prisoners; landed at San Juan Capistrano for supplies, burned a few Indian huts.

1836—California divided into three districts by Mexican federal decree, and these in turn, into "partidos."

1844—Fifty men, women and children, first party to bring a wagon train into the central valleys, reached Sutter's Fort.

1845—Capt. John C. Fremont reached Sutter's Fort on second exploration expedition to California.

1846—Battle of San Pasqual fought, between Warner's Ranch and San Diego. Combatants were Californians under Capt. Andres Pico and U. S. Soldiers under Gen. Stephen W. Kearny. Eighteen U. S. soldiers killed.

1848—President James K. Polk's annual message told of discovery of gold in California.

1849—First California constitutional legislature convened at San Jose, Humboldt bay, undiscovered for three centuries, found by a land party under Dr. Josiah Gregg. Peter H. Burnett inaugurated first American constitutional governor. First disastrous San Francisco fire.

1859—Much uneasiness shown on slavery question. Sen. William W. Gwin intimated that if southern states seceded California would establish a Pacific republic.

1865—California ratified the Thirteenth amendment to the U. S. constitution, abolishing slavery.

1881—Southern California railway, building eastward by way of Yuma, Arizona, and New Mexico, met Texas Pacific at Sierra Blanca, Texas, giving the state a second transcontinental railroad.

1890—First scientific botanical and zoological expedition of scientists organized to explore Death Valley.

1849—First East vs. West football game in San Francisco, between Stanford and University of Chicago—Walter Camp coach for Stanford and Alonzo Stagg for Chicago. West lost, 24 to 4.

1902—Steamer Silverton left San Francisco laying first cable to Honolulu.

1906—Active work began to close gap in Colorado river which, out of control, created Salton sea and threatened flooding of Imperial valley. Finally closed in February of 1907.

1928—President Calvin Coolidge signed Hoover dam act, providing for construction of a dam in Black canyon of the Colorado river.

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KILLAM CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY; TELLS OF ALASKAN FRONTIER

G. C. Killam, local building contractor, on Sunday celebrated the 50th anniversary of his arrival in California. However, not all of the 50 years have been spent in this state, for the Alaskan gold rush called him to the Yukon in 1885, and he remained in the Yukon territory for 15 years.

He was born in Nova Scotia, later locating in Massachusetts, and at the age of 23 came to California.

Mr. Killam discovered gold along Dominion and Bonanza creeks, and made a fortune, but he invested it in other mines which did not prove profitable. Most of the time was spent in the vicinity of Dawson and Whitehorse.

The mining camps of the Yukon were not the wild places they were pictured to be in fiction and motion pictures, said Mr. Killam yesterday. "The people were just as orderly and law-abiding as we are here right now," he said. "When gold was discovered, the Canadian government immediately sent the Northwestern police and a company of militia into the territory, and they certainly knew how to maintain order."

These officers had the record of every criminal of the United States and Canada, said Mr. Killam, and when one of these crooks attempted to cross into the Yukon territory, he was recognized, and warned to keep on moving down the river. If one of them did enter, he was arrested on the slightest provocation and given a long-term sentence.

No one was permitted to carry a gun, and anyone caught with firearms was arrested and sent out of the territory.

"I have carried 50 pounds of gold on my back from the mine to the bank," said Mr. Killam, "without fear of being molested, and I have seen mules, loaded with gold, with only one man leading the mule, but no one was robbed. Gambling houses and saloons ran wide open, but there were always enough men watching to see that the games were operated squarely, and no rough-stuff was tolerated."

In those early days, he said, all supplies and equipment for the Yukon and Klondike camps had to be transported on dog sleds in the winter, for there were no roads for summer travel. Steamers brought the supplies north in summer, discharging their cargoes at Skagway and other Alaskan ports. As soon as the streams were frozen over and the ground was covered with snow, the goods were taken overland.

Mr. Killam said the Yukon territory in summer time is the most beautiful region he has ever seen. The combination of continuous sunshine nearly 24 hours a day, and warm air, produces luxuriant vegetation. When Luther Burbank visited that area he said Alaska and Yukon would be the greatest root-vegetable producing areas in the world. It will produce bumper crops of grain in a very short time, but due to the fact that it is so far from any large market, it is unprofitable to engage in farming there.

Mr. Killam is 73 years of age, but he is as agile as a man in good health 25 years his junior. His active life in the rigorous climate of the north, so strengthened him that even today he could set a brisk pace for the young men of the community on a hiking trip. He yearns to return to Alaska for a summer's stay, and is planning to do so within the next few years.

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Also registered were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Coleman and party, E. H. Jarvis and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Deahl, of Los Angeles; S. Aberbuch and Joseph Aberbuch; Victor B. Fischer, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Roth, of Los Angeles; A. Samter and H. Marwil, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Gundelfinger, Charles F. Jones of Burlingame; Mr. and Mrs. George Kelly, Charles Adler, Dudley C. Moore, Hollywood; Miss Jean Yarbrough and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Browne of Los Angeles.

BILL MUMPER CHOSEN FOR COLLEGE FRATERNITY

Pledged to membership in Phi Delta, one of the leading fraternities at Pomona College, Bill Mumper, Palm Springs sophomore, was honored this week upon the Claremont campus. Mumper was chosen in company with five other selected sophomores.

The local boy underwent a rigorous period of initiation this week on the Claremont campus. It terminated with formal installation just prior to the Christmas holidays which began this week-end for the 750 students enrolled at Pomona.

Mumper's fraternity is one of seven local groups at Pomona. Each fraternity has a cabin in the mountains nearby and each possesses large rooms in Eli P. Clark Hall, dormitory for men. Mumper expects to return to Palm Springs for the holidays this week-end. He will resume classes at Pomona on January 6.

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92 miles are tunnels, and 139 miles canal, conduit and siphon. Excavation for 75 miles and concrete lining of 45 miles of the latter is completed. Thus only 10 miles of tunnel and 69 miles of aqueduct remain to be excavated, and 169 miles to be cemented. Lining the tunnels and aqueduct being the easiest part of the job, this work will progress rapidly.

The 13-mile San Jacinto tunnel, which starts near Cabazon and ends at the San Jacinto river bridge, will be the last to be completed, but even here progress has been accelerated recently. Less than eight miles of this tunnel are to be excavated, five miles having been completed. During November the hard-rock miners excavated 1568 lineal feet on that one tunnel. If they maintain that rate of progress, the tunnel will be completely excavated within the next 27 months, and before the end of 1938 this tunnel, the last link of the aqueduct, will be lined with cement and ready for the water of the Colorado river, which will probably have filled the three reservoirs by that time between this point and Parker Lake on the Colorado river. The figures in these two paragraphs do not include the 210 miles of distributing lines, now under construction from Cajalco reservoir to the 13 cities comprising the Metropolitan Water District. The distributing lines, 12 feet in diameter, include nearly 16 miles of tunnels. Cajalco dam, which will impound the water in Cajalco reservoir, is located between Perris and Corona, and is now under construction. Parker dam, on the Colorado river, 241 miles via the aqueduct from Cajalco, and which will form a lake 50 miles long, is also under construction. More than 6,000 men are now employed on this entire \$220,000,000 aqueduct and dam project; which accounts for some of the money in circulation in the desert area.

If you have never visited the aqueduct camps, don't postpone your trip until it is too late. Along 150 miles of paved aqueduct highways, built especially for this project, you will find scores of interesting camps. This huge project, which will cost more than double Boulder Dam and its power houses and appurtenant works, is the greatest construction project ever undertaken by man. Along the 241 miles of main aqueduct, there are 29 tunnels, 92 miles in length and 17 feet in diameter, 55 miles of conduit 16x19 feet, and 65 miles of cement-lined canal 20 feet wide and 12 feet deep. Its construction requires more concrete than any project ever before attempted, including Boulder Dam and the Panama Canal. The concrete used would build a 14-foot highway from Los Angeles to New York, and the dirt to be excavated would bury Pershing Square in Los Angeles a mile deep. One hundred and eighty-five miles of 6-inch water mains, 250 miles of telephone lines, 196 miles of high voltage power lines, had to be built before work on the aqueduct could be started. If you are interested, call at The Desert Sun office, and you may have a map for the asking, which will also give you some interesting facts regarding the project.

R. L. Postlethwaite of Coachella, former president of the County Chamber of Commerce, fears that an attempt is underway to discard the names "Coachella Valley" and "Imperial Valley." There would be no more reason for changing the names of the valleys, towns, canyons or subdivisions in the Desert of the Palms than there would be to change these names if the name of the county were changed. In fact, this was San Diego county at one time, and when it was annexed to Riverside county, no other names were changed. When Imperial county was formed, all of the towns and subdivisions in the new county retained the old names. The only change considered by anyone has been the substitution of "Desert of the Palms" for "Colorado Desert." If Mr. Postlethwaite insists on growing dates in the Coachella Valley of Colorado, we doubt if his neighbors will go with him to that state.

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Is real estate selling in Palm Springs? Here is proof that residential property is in great demand.

Rufus J. Chapman and Archie O. Palmer have sold 37½ acres of Chino Canyon Mesa, in 2½-acre estates, during the past 60 days. All of the 15 home-sites, located at the northern edge of town, are east of the highway, and six new homes are now under construction.

The new subdivision was placed on the market last spring by Mr. Chapman, the owner and subdivider.

Chapman & Palmer this week sold the very fine home, formerly owned by Robert Honeyman, to Mr. and Mrs. Evan Moscher of Los Angeles and Lake Arrowhead. Mr. and Mrs. Moscher have been residing in the R. B. Hull home since the beginning of the season.

The same real estate firm this week sold a lot in Tahquitz Desert Estates, belonging to Ted Fulford, to Admiral T. S. Boyd, retired, of Maryland. The prominent former naval officer plans to build an attractive home on the property.

Mrs. Herbert A. Poppleton is expected to arrive in the Village Sunday by airplane, from Detroit, Mich. Mrs. Poppleton is to be the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Heigho over the holidays.

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Babe Jackson, local representative of the Pacific Greyhound Lines, has announced new low fares, effective during the holiday season. Depot of the stage line is at the Central Hotel.

There are four stages out of Palm Springs daily, eastbound leaving here at 11:55 a. m. and 4:30 p. m.; westbound, to Los Angeles, 9:40 a. m. and 3:15 p. m.

Mrs. Charles Lamberson Cassingham and Miss Charity Weaver arrived in Palm Springs last Saturday by motor, after making the cross-country drive from their homes in Cleveland, Ohio. They are occupying the Lawrence L. Larrabee residence on Via Colusa until after the holidays. Mrs. Cassingham is Mr. Larrabee's sister.

Mrs. William H. Wise, wife of the society columnist of the Los Angeles Examiner, is a guest at El Encanto.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST RIDE ON SATURDAY

Palm Springs equestrians will turn out en masse for the community breakfast ride to be held Saturday morning, December 21, and sponsored by the Desert Inn. Riders will leave the various stables at 7 a. m. and will ride to the beautiful desert and mountain setting at the Experimental Station where breakfast will be served at 8 a. m.

Cowboy entertainers will present a program at the breakfast.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

C. D. Williamson, D. D., Pastor Sabbath school Christmas exercises will be held at El Paseo Theatre at 9:45 Sunday morning and the morning worship at El Paseo Theatre at 11 o'clock. The minister's subject will be "The Morning's News."

The young people of the Community church will sing carols Christmas Eve between the hours of 7 and 9.

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SUNDAY and MONDAY . . . Dec. 22-23 . . .

PAT O'BRIEN, JEAN MUIR, JAMES MELTON and FRANK McHUGH in

"STARS Over BROADWAY"

MICKEY MOUSE IN COLOR—"ON ICE"

PATHE NEWS

A PETE SMITH SUBJECT—GYMNASTICS

TUESDAY . . . Dec. 24 . . .

JOHN CARROLL and STEFFI DUNA in

"HI GOUCHA"

MAJOR BOWES' LATEST "AMATEUR SHOW" NO. 3

COMEDY—"TONSILLITIS" PARAMOUNT NEWS

SPORT SHORT—"A BUGLE FROM BLUEGRASS"

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY . . . Dec. 25-26 . . .

JAMES CAGNEY and MARGARET LINDSAY in

"FRISCO KID"

with Ricardo Cortez, Lili Damita, George E. Stone

and Donald Woods

COLORED SILLY SYMPHONY—"NITE BEFORE XMAS"

COMEDY—"OKAY JOSIE" UNIVERSAL NEWS

FRIDAY and SATURDAY . . . DEC. 27-28 . . .

MARGARET SULLIVAN, WALTER CONNOLLY

and RANDOLPH SCOTT in

"SO RED THE ROSE"

COLORED CARTOON—"MOLLY MOO COW AND THE INDIANS"

COMEDY—"THE WORLD WITHIN" M-G-M NEWS

SPORT SHORT—"GENTLEMAN'S SPORT"

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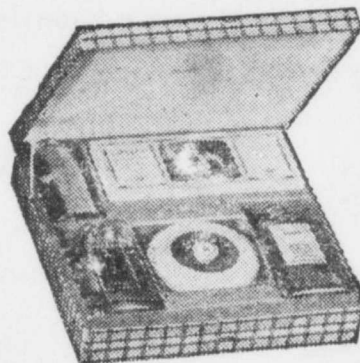
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